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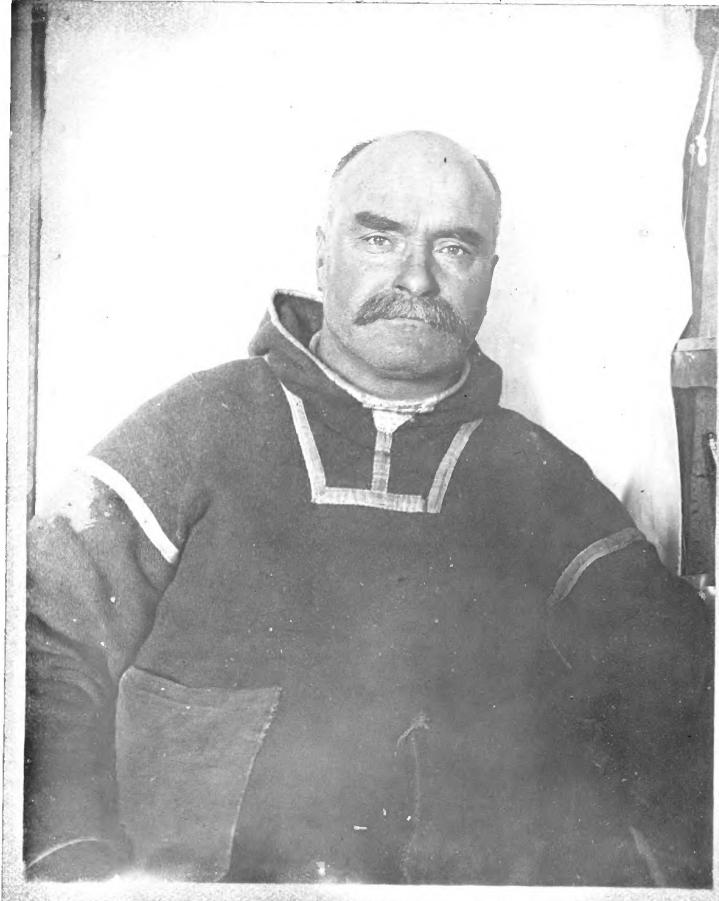
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Private journal  
of  
George Comer  
while on the Relief  
schooner George B. Clegg  
for the Crocker Land  
Expedition Party at  
Etah North Greenland

1915-16

Up to October 1916 this book has been  
copied from the old book, because the other  
had been used to the finish



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1915

Crew List of the Schooner George B. Cluett  
Edmund O. Hovey Representing the Mellenman

H. C. Pickler master  
Michael Davis mate  
Daniel Norman 1<sup>st</sup> mate  
Nathan Hiltz -- cook  
Ralph Parson, Seaman  
Ward Taylor "  
Benjamin Madore "  
William MacDoagel "  
William Flanders "  
Charles Murphy Cabin boy  
Mellrone Cotton Engineer

Voyage of the schooner George B. Cluett  
for the relief of the Crocker Land Expedition  
Party 1915

The morning of July 2<sup>nd</sup> I left home  
to go to Sydney, Nova Scotia to join  
the vessel expecting her to be there by  
the 5<sup>th</sup> I reached Boston and stayed  
all night at the home of Mr. Howard  
in Chelsea the next day took the  
steamer Halifax bound to Halifax  
where we arrived Sunday evening the 4<sup>th</sup>  
taking the train the next morning for  
Sydney where we arrived that evening  
went to the Hotel Belmont

The vessel did not arrive in Sydney  
till the 16<sup>th</sup> and went over to South  
Sydney where the stores we were to  
take on were held to be placed on  
board at the Ingraham Supply Company  
on July 19<sup>th</sup> after various kinds of  
delays we finally got started at  
6 P.M. Doctor Hooley operated the  
moving Picture machine while we left  
the dock then we had to return and  
pick him up have had the engine  
going much of the time since leaving  
light winds from N.W.

On the way to Baffin Harbor N.F.

Tuesday July 20 1865

Moderate winds from N.W. during the night, we come up by Cape North and Pt Paul Island this morning and are now at noon nearing the New Foundland shore near Cape Argus. Very pleasant with light winds N.W. to west

Wednesday July 21

Light winds and calm we are about 20 miles north of Red Island which is on the shore of New Foundland. The Master does not work <sup>very</sup> well and is out of commission a great part of the time to day we ~~start~~ sent out the stores which belong to the Expedition from the ship stores our cabin boy is doing well and all are pleased with him the small crew consist of eleven while Doctor Harvey and I make up the thirteen there is a large New Foundland dog on board

Doctor Harvey has a very fine Graphophore sent by Admirable Peary to a native who had been with him to the North Pole. The Doctor has been given us some very fine music to day some rain with light air

Thursday July 22 1916

Light airs from N.E. have come but little way along by the Bay of Islands New Foundland the man who runs the engine has been working on it all day but is unable to kick the fly wheel on we are off the Bay of Islands

Friday July 23

Light airs and Calm we are making but very little head way the engine being out of Commission the complaint being that the fly wheel can not be kept on and now the hope is that it will run on by the time we get up among the ice fields very clear weather

Saturday July 24

Moderate winds from N.W. are now abated quite a little and now at 10 pm are well passed by Paint Rock now a steamer bound out

Sunday July 25

We had a good breeze most of the time to day have passed about a dozen moderate sized Buys Doctor Haney took a number of pictures of them one large had a large hole through it making a fine arch. we arrived at Battle Harbor at 6 pm a dreary place but may seem good to the people here the fishing industry brings people here there are a number of buildings here and a wireless station

## Battle Harbor

Monday July 26 1915  
 we remained in Battle Harbor till 4  
 pm then got underway for Disko  
 Greenland I went ashore this afternoon  
 and met Capt Moxey Bartlett a man I  
 had known on the steamer Neptune in Hudson  
 Bay 1903-4 sent letters Home to my wife  
 and to Mr Sarah & Bunker and the Home  
 Paper Advertiser there was quite a lively  
 time after we got out ride when the ship's dog  
 went mad around the deck but later the  
 dog was "roped" and cold water poured over him  
 then each person explained why he had  
 run O no they were not afraid

I was steering the vessel so could  
 not run but it was comical to see  
 three people trying to go down the  
 companion way at the same time  
 wind S W moderate & fresh

Tuesday July 27

Light winds and calmer during the  
 day last night had a moderate  
 breeze saw a steamer steering East  
 Lat  $53^{\circ}48''$

Wednesday July 28 1910

Moderate breeze from south (true)  
steering north (true) pleasant light weather  
have passed a few bergs

Thursday July 29

Fresh breeze from south during the night  
hauled to N.W. then west and WNW during  
the day, a little fog this forenoon more  
moderate this afternoon and clear

Started a fire in the cabin for the first time  
quite cold Sat 56.5°<sup>n</sup>

Friday July 30

During the night had a fresh breeze  
from E and steering N.E by compass  
which is North true to day the wind  
has moderated and hauled to N.W and  
at night went with light rain

Our cabin boy while bringing a pan  
of hot dish water down the cabin steps  
slipped and fell spilling the hot water  
over his legs scalding him rather  
badly fixed him up and put  
him to bed

Sat 59.3°<sup>n</sup>

## Batts Harbor to Duxo

Saturday July 31 1915  
The wind slackened up and became  
almost calm this morning with quite  
a swell which made the rails slat  
and track considerable, later a little  
breeze came up from East to N.E. and  
with it there began raining by spell  
and there is a light drizzle now  
Capt Pickler gave me a woolen scarf  
Lat at noon 61.00°

Sunday August 1 1815

Light winds during the night and this forenoon from NE at 4 pm the wind came out from East with thick mist we are steering north with fresh breeze passed three Bergs to day.

Doctor Hooley gave me a fine pair of <sup>boat</sup> rubber

Monday August 2

Fresh gale from the South East with long swell now the land along which we are running through the mist and rain took in the Sparker lost Tarpail and flying fish we had to fife and stand off shore vessel rolling heavy at times during the afternoon weather improving a little wind more to the south a few Bergs seen

Tuesday August 3

weather improved during the night and we were able to get more sail on the vessel we are close in to the Greenland shore and stand well in to Holsteinborg as we come along the coast which is a grand sight high mountains and broken in a variety of shapes moderate winds no ice to speak of in bad weather I stand watch with the 2nd mate our cook is very slack in keeping clean and though we what are need to see cooking get along it must be hard for Doctor Hooley

## Battle Harbor to Disko

Wednesday August 4 1915  
 Light winds from the East and N.E. with  
 mist and rain we keep well in with  
 the land very little. See to be seen  
 the Engine being out of order refuses to work  
 well if it worked we could do much  
 better in getting along. Disko Island can  
 be seen when the mist lifts up though  
 about 15 miles off we are expecting to stop  
 here all the settlements on the Greenland  
 coast up to 74 north latitude are closed  
 to vessels without a permit from the  
 Denmark Government Doctor Harvey  
 has a permit to enter all but one of  
 them I suppose this is done to prevent  
 the whalers and fishermen from intercourse  
 with the natives of course vessels could  
 come in if in distress

Thursday August 5<sup>th</sup>  
 we. came to anchor in Godhavn harbor  
 at 13<sup>0</sup> am before reaching the land I  
 was thick fog at times but when we  
 were near the land the fog cleared away  
 and Capt Peckels made a good land  
 fall and came in in fine style under  
 the power of the Engine the inspector  
 came off but as we did not have a bill  
 of health would not allow the crew

August 5 continued

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permitted to land but that Capt Peckler the Doctor and myself could do so, this fore noon I went ashore with Doctor Harvey and went around with him he took pictures and gathered specimens of the rock This after noon he has gone off with Capt Peckler the Governor and the Inspector in the launch I have been ashore taking pictures of the Harbor and also of the wrecked steamship Fox this vessel was the one used by MacIntosh in his search for Sir John Franklin and his men I went to the wreck took pictures of her and also got pieces of her from to make specimens of the ship which had done such good work in searching for the lost explorers

This is a most excellent Harbor though small there are quite a number of people here perhaps about 150 with some 5 or 6 men in office about all I saw of the natives were half breeds I am not sure that I have seen to day a full blooded Eskimo Warm light weather and Calm a few mosquitoes ashore while I was ashore a dog bit me in the leg

have written a letter Home to my wife to be sent from here

## Godhaven Harbor

Disko

Friday August 6 1815

light air and calm to day

I went off in the launch with Doctor Harvey the Governor and the Inspector we went to the east about 15 miles to where there was a vein of coal the Doctor took a ~~number~~ of pictures two small vessels came in to the Harbor from other settlements

Saturday August 7

Came out of the Harbor at 8 am under power had light air from south then variable but mostly calm we are now about 15 miles from the Harbor a few Bergs it is very unfortunate that we are unable to use the Engin in this calm weather while we were in Godhaven we hewed out some of the timber of the wrecked steamer Fox to make up in to cans I took a picture of her on the Cay on the beach

Sunday

August 8 1915

Light air but most of the time calm so that we have advanced but little. This afternoon Captain Pickler Doctor Harvey and myself and the cabin boy with the Engineer took a trip in the launch to one of ~~Baugs~~ where we met several natives about 15 in all. Doctor Harvey collected some specimens of the rocks. The natives food seemed to consist of Halibut these fish are said to be plentiful about here we returned at 8 pm temp of sea water 44°.

Monday

August 9

Light air and moderate breeze from south through the night to day moderate moderate to fresh becoming overcast with rain and mist are making three to five miles an hour we have passed Disko Island and are heading for Upernivik lat 71° 00' north we keep we keep close to the land as we go along a few bergs in sight all the time

Tuesday August 10 1915

we had light winds during the night from north and came seeing quite a number of bergs which have come from the nearby glacier as we kept close in to the land

To day the wind increased to a fresh gale so that we took in the spanker at one pm came to anchor in Upernivik at 6 30 pm it is open and some swell comes in (there is a small harbor on the north side look to be well protected) there are about 8 or ten houses here we are unable to land on account of surf on the shore

This after noon passed a place where we saw a few Native tents also some Natives near them some rain and fog

Wednesday August 7 1915

There has been some fog with light N.E. wind  
have been ashore with Doctor Hovey taking  
Pictures and trudging for old implements  
This evening the Doctor invited the Governor  
with others two Soedes and the assistant  
Governor the evening was made pleasant for  
them with the Graphophone and light refreshment  
they stayed till 10.30 pm while we were  
ashore we were entertained by these people  
I have found the people at this place  
and also at Disko quite intelligent  
lot of men well above the average  
Left a letter here to be forwarded  
to my wife to go by way of Denmark

Thursday August 12

Started from Upernivik at 8 am  
and came out under power clear of the  
Islands then stopped the cabin the wind  
being moderate from the north we stood  
to the westward till 4 pm when we met  
the boree ice rather open packed  
and are now heading to the N.E.  
there are a few large large fog squalls  
at times but generally very pleasant

Friday August 13 1915  
Thick fog all the time with wind light to moderate from north we are in among large pieces of field ice which requires constant watchfulness on our part to avoid them are laying with the fore staysail to the wind part of the time on each tack felt shore we saw the land this morning all the riggin is coated with ice quite thick temp 83° temp of water 33°

Saturday August 14  
Thick fog with light winds from no true we are laying aback on short tacks meeting some field ice sea very smooth saw a large hooded seal on one of the ice paws Doctor Henry is saving the skin for a mott to use in his affie at the museum we are making no progress, much ice farther on the riggin and keep the crew busy pounding and shaking it off

Sunday August 15<sup>th</sup> 1915

The fog cleared up after midnight and the weather to day has been good though the wind has been ahead from the NW is moderate we came in towards the land abreast of the the sugar loaf worked up through some loose ice the main pack being off shore of us, quite a number of Bergs (large) around us also

This evening light air from north and quite clear overhead very pleasant all the ice is now off from the reggin and rafter Doctor Haney gives us some fine meersal from the Graphophone the vessel bottom is so foul with a marine growth that she is very slow in tacking to windward

Monday August 16

Light air and Calm during the night and this forenoon this after noon got a breeze from N E and shaked a course from the Devil's thumb for cape York but we are meeting with considerable ice and are working more to the north hoping to get in to better water got another hooded seal some rain and mist but clearing up at night have the Spanker tied up

Tuesday <sup>Melville Bay</sup> August 17 1915

we worked through the ice till 5 am last night then tied up as we had come to where we could go no farther we remained tied up till 5 pm when we worked to the W.S.W. about 6 miles then ran in to the loose ice and started again the ice seemed to be making more open but not in the direction we wish to go rain and mist most of the time with the wind moderately most of the time from N.E. a number of Bergs around Browne Island north of us not far off

The Doctor took several pictures of the vessel as we were tied up to the ice he is making many pictures of interesting things The lack of preparedness for the voyage ~~shaken~~ out to day in the cook explaining why he did not wash the tea pot saying it would wash off the soap which he had stuck on over a hole to prevent the tea leaking out

upward to North Star Bay  
Melville Bay

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Wednesday August 18 1915

Slight air and calm we have moved but little to day though have started up twice with the engine. The ice which surrounds us is known as Bay ice that is from two to three feet thick with large and small holes all over the field there are generally covered over with thin ice very pleasant have washed some clothes there is not so much effort put forth to work the vessel through the ice as we would put forth on a whaling vessel and as the vessel is in full charge of the captain I have no voice in what I should recommend the Captain being quite sensitive about any suggestion made in fact I think he would do the very opposite

The numerous bergs prevent the ice from being effected by the air we have from the S.E.

Lat  $75^{\circ} 15' N$

## Journwork to North Star Bay

MELVILLE BAY

Thursday August 19 1815

The wind freshened from the N.E. and set the ice moving to the N.W. so that we have advanced a few miles we have passed several bergs which seemed to be aground at 9 pm the tide and wind slackened up and we are quite still again rain and mist at times we have used the boath at times to try to force the vessel into the best place but with little effect

the Engineer became overcome with gass and had to be pulled up on deck some whiskey given him brought him too alight again

Friday August 20

light air and calmer with mist and rain from S.E. the ice is more slack and is rotting away under the influence of the light weather and rain we are drifting to the N.W. about 6 miles a day

The Newfoundland dog which we have (had) become vicious to day and bit my hand quite badly then Capt Pickles ordered that the dog be shot which was done it was a fine dog but it has not been right since it went mad after leaving Battle Harbor

Melville Bay

Saturday August 21 1915

Condition remain the same light air from N.E. with mist and rain we drift slowly with the tides but are gradually working to the NW. This afternoon the forecail and fore stayail were set my hand is quite uncomfortable

I see no much work which should be done to keep the vessel in order everything is allowed to go slack or no effort made to prevent as thought given to what might happen also much food is wasted and not being in a position to prevent or repair things it makes me ~~shaff~~ under the restraint and I realize that we have made a great mistake in not chartering a steamer for the work

Capt Pickler to day at dinner spoke of whaling Captain being a poor but he having once been on a whaling vessel part of a voyage

Upperwick to North Star Bay  
Melville Bay

August 22.

1913

Monday August 22.

some rain with mist and a little snow with light to a fresh breeze from N.E. we have drifted with the ice out by two low Islands and a reef which lies to the N.E. of them after drifting by with the ice it opened up more, and we came along a few miles when we met the ice which was held by a few Bergs and we were stopped by it I think the turn of the tide helped to pack the ice ahead of us It is now 10 pm and the ice is begining to open up Light wind from N.E. foreail and foretopgall are set there seems to be less Bergs ahead this ice is heavier Doctor Harvey gives us a few selections of music from the Graphophone

Monday August 23

Moderate breeze from NW backing to N.W. we came ahead for half an hour this morning early but have been unable to move during the day though there is a streak of water along the shore ice but heavy pieces of ice between us and it some times we see seal in the open water high mountains covered with ice and snow and the Continental Glacier are fine to look at but time is going fast and we drift but little with the ice Lat 75° 38' had my hair cut by one of the men

Mellville Bay

Tuesday August 24 1915

The ice opened up at 11 pm last night when we started ahead with the engine it being calm at the time had considerable water, at midnight the fog shut in with a light breeze from N.W. the fog was not so thick but what we could have kept on going on there was a good prospect of water with scattering ice pans but the captain rang up to a harp and we tied up to it started again at about 4 am and kept going for nearly an hour

I could see no reason why we should not have kept going as we could see very well and the fog soon worked off so much so that the 2<sup>nd</sup> mate called the Captain twice from midnight to 4 am but he decided not to move till later

we are I should think some 15 miles away from the edge of the glacier front we have been unable to move though we have the sails up

Lat at noon  $75^{\circ} 48'$  north

Unspunwick to North Star Bay

Melville Bay

Wednesday August 25 1913

This morning we went ahead about a mile shortly after 6 am, then we were stopped again and have not moved only as the ice continues to drift to the west something like 6 or 8 miles with the Natural Current

This I judge by the land and Islands as we open them out the day has been pleasant though cold enough & form young ice in between the flocs at night the weather looks more threatening wind from N E and light snow falling can see water making in near the land The men feel the cold as they have no stove in the forecastle and have to dry their cloths in the galley which is rather small

The meal must seem rather coarse and poor to Doctor Harvey but he makes no complaint Doctor Harvey the Captain and I eat at first table then the mates and the engineer

Upernivik to North Star Bay

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Cape Melville Melville Bay

Thursday August 26 1915

Light air and Calm saw a bear  
some ways from the vessel Capt Puckler went  
out and fired a number of shots at it but  
being so far off did not hit it

This afternoon we have come quite away  
and now are off Cape Melville have come  
along in quite open water till we got  
here Put the last barrel of gasoline  
in the tank the Captain and the Engineer  
claim they can not run the engine on  
Kerosene Oil No wind are tied up at  
midnight we thought we saw smoke  
to the west

Friday August 27

we had to leave the place where we were  
tied up to the grounded ice at 3 am  
when the tide turned to the west, we came  
out to the loose ice then stopped the  
engine for want of gasoline there is a  
little left but the Captain wishes to  
keep some for emergency last night  
after filling into the tank the remaining  
barrel of gasoline <sup>at 10pm</sup> and then what with  
the engine going till a little after mid-  
night our cabin boy Charley Murphy  
was found to be unconscious in his birth  
he was brought out into the cabin but  
could not be awakened though made to

August 26 Continued

breath better we then sent him back to bed he woke up at 4 am quite sick and wanted it is now 10 am but has not got up yet

But worst of all was the accident to Doctor Hooley the Doctor who write a great deal in his room till after midnight said good night or good morning and went to his room but before retiring went up in the after compassion way to look around preferably to get fresh air when he must have fainted away and fell backward down the steps his head striking the door heavily and hurting one arm and his back when his head struck the door it closed with a snap to me it sounded as if some line had parted (as we were tied up to a berg at the time) in a minute or so Capt Puchler called me (as I had just turned in) saying that the Doctor had fallen and had nearly killed himself when I reached him he had been blind in this ~~long~~ land though he could talk he was so dazed that he could not comprehend what had happened but would keep repeating what had happened we gave him some stimulant and put him in his bed but he could not be made to

August 26 Continued

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understand what had occurred even this morning he would ask what was the matter at breakfast he took some coffee and had breakfast with us he is now in bed again we are drifting with a pan of ice to which we are tied up to the stern and west there is a light air from the N.E. The Captain is sleeping as he does all the piloting of the vessel through the ice then when he gets tired out the men remain fast till he feel refreshed

Cloudy quite a little snow the former during calm nights The mate of the vessel is a most exuberant man for helping the Captain though no navigator the 2<sup>nd</sup> mate is also a willing man but the Cook (Lord help us) he not only speaks what he cooks but deliberate wants it, besides being very unclean and has lice he is said to be about 64 years old the crew of 5 men are poor green hands

Discipline is very lax

Tuesday August 27

Drifted up to a pan all day while around us there is but little ice light breeze N to NW. On our Cape York from mast head, the Captain not feeling well has kept the vessel tied up

Doctor Haney is much better than I could have hoped for the cabin boy is around again all right very pleasant weather

Upernivik to North Star Bay

Melville Bay

Saturday August 28 1915

we lay still last night tied up to a pan of ice there being no wind the surface of the sea was covered with young ice

at 10 am we made an attempt to work ahead with the engine the wind being light from the N E but the wind was soon helped on we did not have power enough to force her a head on the young ice and loose pans kept crowding us in to the edge of the heavier ice this afternoon the ice has opened up quite a little but there is no wind and with out the gasoline we are quite helpless to move still we are drifting to the westward with the current think we can see Cape York, we lack power Lat 75.48<sup>n</sup> long 63.09<sup>w</sup>

Sunday August 29 1915

A little air from N.E. last night and we have made a little as the ice opens and closes with the changing tides we get along a little each day Capt Pickles seem to have no knowledge of working a vessel through the ice and using ice hooks to hook on to the ice and haul them out of the way such pieces or get hook on the forecastle we have no ice hook of usefull size as other tools such a pike poles ice shield or having ladder from the bow to go up or down on instead of using the bow steps

his management of the vessel through the ice makes one at times wonder what he is trying to do and also his lack of energy to force through and improve what chances we do have he is also very timid and shows a great desire to do all the navigating through the ice himself it may be from lack of confidence in others or as it seems to me he wishes to do it all himself so that no one can say he had help as I look at it he wishes to show that he does not need the assistance of an ice pilot. The wind backing to the west and is now around to N.E. raining and is now turning to rain the wind is increasing and is favorable making our drift more rapid, we are tied up to the ice

Meberille Bay

Monday

August 30

1915

Light air backin around to nw then south and is now N.E. with some rain and snow

The ice at times is a little more open then closes up again have moved but little only as we drift with the ice we feel that this month is near the close and still we are far from having our success assured

Doctor Harvey has not appeared well since his fall he looks pale and anxious

Tuesday

August 31

Light airs from south backin to N.E. and N.E. then to nw light snow and mist most of the time at night weather clearing we have moved a little to the west but have been carried in towards the land the vessel has remained fast to the same ice as there has been no slackening up

The prospect of our reaching Etah look very uncertain and to me very doubtful

no water to be seen and the temperature  $29^{\circ}$

Afternoon to North Star Bay

near Cape York Bushman Island <sup>29</sup>

Wednesday September 1 1915

The wind has been light and gone around by backing and is now N.E. again light

Partly cloudy we have moved quite a little in the drifting of the ice, this evening drifted close by a large Berg came ahead a little with the Congin

Thursday Sept <sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup>

There was no movement during the night of the ice, This morning the wind was fresh from the N.W. which set us off shore a few miles

The wind slackened off during the day and backed to the south and is now N.E. there was a wide strip of water in towards the land which reached well out towards Cape York

This could be seen from the mast head to have got into this water would have been but little trouble as the ice was loose and the water 3 or four ship lengths from us but much hunting work was made in the effort that it was finally given up wind fresh N.E. and damp with fog under such management the prospect of our reaching North Star Bay is slim mainsail fore sail and fore staysail are set now but the ice is well packed but thin

Afternoon to North Star Bay

Cape York

Friday

September 3 1915

Last night the wind was fresh from N.E. quite a little snow fell with the wind changing to N.E. and to day coming from N.W. quite pleasant weather this after noon the wind went around to the west and south and is again N.E. with a cold freezing fog.

To day saw a number of Narwhals in the openings among the ice, with the wind N.W. we drifted to the south with the ice but now with the wind N.E. we are drifting to the westward, but as the fog is quite thick we can not tell how fast we are going we come a head about a mile with the vessel then ran into a large pan of thin ice and are hung up though we could haul her back and could go on we do not know how far but so far as we can see the water makes in among the pans

Saturday September 4 1915

Snow has been falling during the night and most of the time to day, we have drifted past Cape York so that it bears now N.E. of us about 8 miles there are a good many bergs in the pack with us. The pack ice drifts a little faster than most of the Bergs, The ice has not opened up to day owing to the strong N.E. wind the water clouds extend well across from East to South and to the west and NW it looks as though the pack was surrounded by water.

The bergs seem to prevent the ice from opening up no bottom at 110 fathoms.

Sunday Sept 5

wind moderate from N.E. during the night to day it has hauled through light to the N.W. at times. Calm this gives the ice a chance to open up. Started the engine up twice to get to larger bergs to hold on to have not changed our position enough to say so the drift has set us in shore slightly at 3 pm the fog shut down on us from the N.W. there is quite a feeling of doubt as to our getting even so far in North Star Bay and also a fear that we might have to drift with the pack but I think we could work our back if we had to give up.

September 5 Continued

There is more open water close in shore  
 Numerous large some of them probably aground  
 seem to prevent the ice from moving to the  
 NW we have let so many opportunities  
 pass when we could have worked ahead  
 I am surprised that seal are so scarce  
 also no bird life along the whole coast  
 The weather has been fine the whole length  
 of the coast The ice which we have had  
 to contend with has been from Melville  
 Bay and is comparatively thin compared  
 with the ice which has been under pressure  
 and become rafted

Monday Sept 6

During the night light air, this forenoon  
 the ice opened up a little so that we worked  
 ahead about 50 miles we are nearly half  
 way between Cape York and Central rock  
 we have put over quite a number of  
 balters with water in them, this is done  
 to see where they may eventually be picked  
 up now one crew to day

To night there is quite a pressure on the  
 vessel but as the ice is thin it is  
 forced under her

Calm at 9 pm

the vessel leaves about 250 strokes ~~an hour~~

Tuesday September 7 1915

Hauled ahead after midnight then had to stop awhile then the ice opened up and we came ahead a few miles also worked in towards the land where there were less bergs some of these Bergs are very large we could have gone ahead quite a long way but not having gasoline we could only lay still and look at it what air there was very light and from the NW started the Engin up twice to get clear of Bergs at 10 am the tide and wind caused the ice to close up and we have remained tied up

Though the Engin was built for burning Kerosene Oil the Captain claims that the oil bought in Sydney is of poor quality and will not burn well enough to run the Engin though we have plenty of it we bore much by not being able to go ahead

The wind is moderate from the NW some water is making around us

Spernick to North Star Bay  
Cape York

Wednesday September 8 1915

The wind has been strong from the W.W. and we have remained tied up to a large pan which is held in place by a large agramund Berg

The wind has been strong all day which has started the ice away to the N.E. and south there is much water in sight to the N.E. and south and some water and ice to the west and W.W. we are in hope the wind will come from the North and N.E. this would give us a chance to work along shore to the land many of the Bergs are of immense size rounded in 7 f fathom

Thursday Left 9

Remained tied up last night with a fresh breeze from W.W. this died out before morning and we got a light breeze from the N.E. cast off at 6 am and started out between two large pans but before we could get through they came & gather and lifted the vessel well up we lay this way till 9 am when we got a chance to get through and with the light air from the N.E. we ran along about 5 miles with the flood tide the wind died out and to prevent being carried back we tied up to a berg which was agramund with power we could have continued on in to clear water or there was but little ice later the wind sprung up from the N.W.

September 9 Continued

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but as the vessel worked so slow Captain Pickles  
did not care to start out among the wrecks &c so we  
have remained by the Berg had we a good working  
vessel it would have been the thing to do to have  
got underway on the flood tide

we have lost much time by not be able to improve  
the chance we have had for want of power

Our prospect are very good now as there is  
but very little ice ahead though bergs are numerous  
Should it be deemed desirable when we arrive at  
North Star Bay for me to remain with the stores we  
have brought up (in case we can proceed no  
further) I shall remain and see that they  
are forwarded to Etah and then might return  
Home next year in the Danish vessel

Friday Sept 10 1915

Remained fast to the grounded Berg last night the young Ice made around us with small pieces of Ice in it we got away from the Berg by using the Engin for a few minutes have had light air from the Northwest and calm part of the time which has allowed the young Ice to make which staves the Vessel in light air so we have only come about 5 miles and are now held fast in the young Ice if we had Gasoline we could go through it quite easily but as we have but an we have but about 10 gallons which was taken out of the Launch and put in to the tank for the Engin to day this is being kept for emergency very pleasant weather but becoming overcast at night

To day for a little while we held on to a berg to prevent being carried back by the tide we are quite well in towards the land about 2 miles off and Conecal rock about 6 or 7 miles off Very little Ice to be seen but large bergs are numerous aground in 50 fathoms now the first time last night that I have seen for a long time

Saturday Cerrito Rock - September 11 1910

last night we had some pressure in the young ice and had to start the engine up to avoid a barge we had a little breeze part of the night from NW but could do nothing as we were placed in by the young ice we have lain most of the day quite helpless till about 4 pm we got a little breeze from the N.E. and we have come up between General Rock and the shore the distance being about 2 miles there is not much ice ahead but plenty of Bergs we came through quite a little young ice Cape Attal being in sight about 30 miles away that is where we turn to go up in to North Star Bay

Sunday Sept 12

Had variable winds though favorable through the night with some ice to contend with and quite a little young ice at midnight we got stuck in young ice till 3 am when we got a good breeze and came along between Cape Alhol and <sup>Shallow</sup> Island where we met a little ice there we met the ~~Danish~~ vessel Cape York and a launch the Cape York was bound Home stopping at ports on the coast down and also to stop at Iceland Doctor Hovey went on board the Cape York to see if he could get her to go to Etah not being able he hired the launch which belongs to the station here in charge of Peter Freuchen

September 12 Continued

to go to Etah and bring down those of the Party who are to go home they got away at 3 pm there were also two natives they expect to reach Etah ~~the~~ tomorrow night they took enough provision for the trip up and one of the native boats in tow

we are now trying to work up to North Star Bay though it is said to be filled with ice and knit together with young ice after what we have heard through it is pleasant to know we have got so far we will probably wait here till the Party comes here from Etah Mr Preacher left 2 natives with the vessel so as to have more room for the party back

Monday September 13 1915

During the night we had light wind and calm  
the wind being ahead we managed to gain a little  
To day light wind and calm got ahead a little more  
we can see the Harbor in the Harbor  
for a short time we remain tied up to a berg  
for a short time but have just let go so as to  
go along with the tide the berg to which we were  
tied was aground in no pattern, washed some clutter  
Part of the land here is much the same as Disko  
Island and is very interesting to look at

The Engin has only been run in the most  
urgent case to get clear of Bergs and going  
through young Ice has frequently stopped  
and each time gave us the impression that  
it was the end of the gasoline To day the  
Captain made some inquiry as to certain  
parts of the Engin which the Engineer could  
not explain clearly this started an argument  
in which very strong language was used  
by both The result being that the Captain  
went down to the Engin room and after he  
and the Engineer worked a while they made  
such repair that now the Engin runs  
firm and steady and no stopping till shut  
down The Engin room is a very dark  
place and also very unclean

Tuesday September 14 1815

we dropped anchor at midnight as we had no wind (and the tide scared flood) in 10 fathoms about a half mile from the South shore I have been ashore to see about taking plaster casts of native faces but did not make any also had the two seal skins cleaned (the two were got coming across Melville Bay).

Took two porters one of the native tents and one of the Table mountain which is on the end of a point of land which forms the Harbor it is known as Ouman nar and it is from this that the tribe takes its name Ouman nar must not being able to get fresh water the Capt. filled the tanks with ice in coming off I had to come through considerable young ice (with natives) got aboard at 8 pm the Harbor it self is filled with ice knit & gather

There are about 30 people living here these people do not tattoo their faces and hands

Wednesday September 15<sup>th</sup> 1815<sup>th</sup>

Had a strong breeze for a short time about 2 am but otherwise light airs and calm to day light fire weather Capt Parker with the Engineer and two men went ashore to the station were gone most all day I have remained on board and made 3 plaster cast of native faces A large piece of ice got across our bow and dragged the vessel along with the tide from this cake of ice we got some fresh water got a little trade such as native stone campf and walrus skins

Thursday Sept 16

During the night had moderate winds and calms, with the ice coming and going with the tide This forenoon had strong N.E. winds so that we dragged the one anchor and had to let go the 2<sup>nd</sup> anchor (the larger one) The native boat which has been with us with natives parted her warp and went adrift with a kick in her, it has been blowing to strong to go after her and its disturbance nearer shore among the ice the weather moderated this afternoon and the natives took one of the vessels boats and went out and got their own after their return the wind sprang up again and had to let go the big anchor which had been up but a short while

This evening it is again moderate partly overcast our cabin boy has brought the kick of the natives

Friday left 17 1915

strong winds at times from N.E. to East the native whale boat which went adrift yesterday and was recovered was blown adrift again last night the waves causing the stern to pull out of her so it is a week and last again strong winds have continued at times through out the day this evening the launch returned from Etah with 4 of the men who are to return with us there was another man who was to have returned with us (Doctor Hunt) but he had gone off on a hunting trip and was to be gone about 3 weeks so the launch had to come away with out him the party arrived at the vessel at 6 pm they brought back with them about 7 barrels of Gasoline this will be of great help to the schooner no arrangements having been made for the party sleeping quarters all were confused but later by Doctor Harvey being firm in demanding that they should have decent places Doctor Harvey had finally to take one man in his room to sleep on the floor snow and rain falling wind fresh N.E. made one plaster cast and filled the other the ice in the Harbor was driven out there is a large body of ice out side of us from whale round one great fault of the captain is his lack of preparation and indecision no earnest effort is made to keep the tanks full of fresh water he lacks a self controller and at times can be very disagreeable at heart has some good qualities

Saturday Sept 18 1915

Very strong gale during the night and to day from S E late this afternoon the wind moderated so that the launch which has been laying tied to the stern, was able to take a load of goods which are to be left here for Mr. McMillian there is more to be loaded when the weather becomes more moderate the wind is still strong from S E with some sea we are not in the Harbor but laying close to the high land on the north shore

Though the land is steep and high the water is shoal only 8 fathoms where we lay The cabin is now quite crowded the Captain has to sleep on his bunks while two men sleep in his room

we now set ~~the~~ table The Captain Mate, 2 mate, Engineer and myself eat first then Doctor Henry and the 4 passengers eat and take their time

Sunday Sept 19

Strong winds during night moderate by morning The launch came at 6 am and loaded up the remainder of the stores we got underway at 8 am bright moderate <sup>variable</sup> winds to Cape Athol then had moderate winds home fire to work though but is now quite clear with numerous <sup>Berg</sup> for my part it feels good to be on our way back and I think all feel that way moderate looking weather now that we have a good supply of gasoline the Engine proves to be of little use, not being able to run this morning we are off the Petrowick glacier

between Cansul Rock and Cape York

Monday September 20 1915

Have had light northly wind during the night and to day almost calm at times now that we have gasoline the engin can not be made to run we passed between Cansul Rock and the main land about noon and are now about 8 miles N.E. of it we have considerable loose ice to work through in the distance it looks clear but as we get to it we find we can work through very pleasant weather I stand watch with the 2<sup>nd</sup> mate or he has only 2 men The nights are getting long when the moon comes up it creates quite an interest in all hands though well down in the south it was a pleasant night

Tuesday Sept 21

There was but little air during the night and calm most of the time to day we have drifted back though there is plenty of water around with scattering ice pack and bergs some of which are aground young ice makes between the pack in calm weather enough to hold the vessel in light air even though favorable we got some fresh water off a large pan I find it hard to stand a watch with the crew and not be able to give any orders and have them carried out the 2<sup>nd</sup> mate has little or no control of the men and they

do and say much as they please  
quite pleasant weather Doctor Honey is quite  
nervous about the situation of the vessel  
as the engin fails to work, we could so  
easily get out to open water if it were  
in order. In hitting the ice last night  
the upstream iron strap broke which held  
the outer babbay thin water ~~partly~~ broken  
before we left Sydney

I spoke to Captain Pickler about putting  
out the launch and try to tow the vessel  
but he said it would not be able to tow  
the vessel. The engin in the launch is  
rated at 10 horse power

Wednesday Sept 22

we had moderate breeze from the W.W. during  
the night and though we seemed to advance  
we were hardly holding our own against  
the current sometimes the young ice would hold us  
The light winds are not strong enough to ~~hold~~ prevent  
the young ice from forming. One of the passengers  
Mr Allen has shown the engineer something about  
the engin and got it working we are making some  
progress along the land as all indications are we  
should reach very clear water at Cape York  
though it is only young ice that bothers us now  
which at times can not be avoided for breaking  
it the best thing we have is a fore and aft fender  
can see very clear water at Cape York and feel the  
sky becoming overcast

Thursday September 28 1915

September 28 1915

we lay becalmed in the young ice till  
midnight when the wind sprang up from the  
N.E. then we began drifting back the wind  
increasing and we were carried back quite  
fast toward Concord Rock raining and  
a little snow at 9 am I suggested to  
the Captain that we run back to Parker  
Snow Bay which is nearly abreast of Concord  
Rock and anchor there this he decided to  
do we got some hard broader one which  
broke the remaining studd which held the bow  
stays and another which broke one of the  
plank in the side of the vessel about amidship  
port side near the water then the rudder got  
hit on the vessel turned around part way  
breaking the casting on the rudder head but  
this did not prevent steering the vessel the same  
engine was used a little in heeling in to the Bay  
but stopped very soon we then sounded and  
got 14 fathoms and let go the anchor close under  
the high cliff the wind coming out in strong  
gusts we finally made fast to the cliff by  
slackening out more chain are now laying with  
pender and planker between us and the cliff  
plenty of water under us blowing strong in heavy  
gusts the feeling prevails that we ought to  
return to North Star Bay and winter and not  
try to reach home for fear of getting caught in the  
ice I recommend to ~~try again~~

such a ~~acc~~ party have no ~~con~~balance in meeting the ~~att~~out  
and ~~att~~out. Pickle seems to wish to give it ~~set~~  
I ~~set~~ and ~~th~~ough in the ~~stair~~ and ~~bl~~out

Friday September 24 1913

we lay quite early at the cliffs last night  
though we had strong winds moderate toward morning  
these cliffs are about 1000 feet high Captain Parker  
and Doctor Harvey went up to the head of the bay  
in the boat to look at and search for a harbor  
soon after their return we cast off got underway  
and sailed up with a light breeze ran to  
anchor in 8 fathoms a family of natives are  
camped here they are very destitute

The Idea of coming here is to wait till the ice gives  
us a chance to either go on our way home or  
failing in that to go to North Star Bay  
should both fail we would remain here during  
the winter In my own mind I think we  
shall have a chance to try our trip home  
again but have no faith in the Captain  
should we meet any difficulties as we have  
to depend on him and he shows no skill  
in handling a vessel in the ice he remains  
very little on deck no matter what the weather  
is and never has given any order that  
that my Division should be sacred and  
no I have never been able to have things  
done as I thought best

snow fell quite a little during the night

Saturday September 25 1905

light winds with calm spells during the night and to day the Fresh water tank was partly filled with fresh water as there are one or more fresh water streams coming off the Glacier I have been ashore and dug around an old rock and stone house but did not find any thing of much account filled up a plaster cast (no 4) which I had made at North Star Bay Mr. Allen has been helping the Engineer to get the Engine in better order light air variable

Sunday Sept 26

Light air and Calm the Bay is covered with young ice the Engineer with Mr Norman and Mr Allen worked on the Engine most of the day and now think it will run quite awhile

another meal was taken by Mr Ekblaw this makes two while here A party of 2 or three natives have come over from North Star Bay on their way to Cape York they will stop here a day or so then proceed as there is a settlement at Cape York they will later return to North Star Bay

Doctor Honey sent a note to Peter Freuchen to hold the food which we left there so it might be had in case we have to winter

Monday

September 27

1915

Light air and Calm some young ice made during the night so that the Bay was well covered. This fore noon we started to go out but after but after the Engin had run a few minutes the shaft close to the fly wheel broke and there being very little wind we could make no headway in the young ice we returned and Anchored at one p.m. a little snow fall this evening which laying on the young ice gives a wintery look but I still have hopes that we may pull out yet and get home although all the talk now seems to be to get back to North star Bay. The two native sleds which came yesterday continued on their way to day for Cape York. They travel on the ice cap and make good time. Another seal taken to day.

Tuesday September 28 1915

light air and calms during the night and forenoon at 3 pm there was a little air and we started to get underway but gave it up as there was not enough to get astern later the wind increased but it was to late we have now decided to go to North Star Bay and lay up for the winter very little ice to be seen off shore, Everything considered I think it best to do is the lack of confidence in the Captain as a Steamer and the Engine broken down the Rudder head broken and plank broken in also back stay gone all these things have produced a feeling with Doctor Honey and the Passengers that for the safety of the Collection which we have and also of all concerned it is thought best to give up the attempt for we get no wind favorable for a run across Melville Bay and the fear of meeting the ice there

are now planning to leave here early in the morning for North Star Bay unless a chance offered favorably to go south

If not going Home we have none to much time to prepare for winter Northwesterly winds would mean Home for all of us

Wednesday September 29 1915

Strong winds blowing the night from S.E. with a little snow we started to go out and up to North Star Bay but found so much ice that we returned to anchor. Later Captain Pickles and I went out in the Power boat went up as far as the glacier and then to Conical Rock landed on it and went part way up it. Could see very clear water towards cape York we then went to a cove a little north thinking to find native Harbor but none there saw two blue foxes Capt Pickles shot at them but with out effect returned to the vessel light air and Calm a large pan of ice came across the vessel bow and dragged the anchor some way.

From what we saw of clear water it gives us hope that we may yet get started for Home which no doubt we will if we can get northerly winds to start with

## Parker Snow Bay

Thursday September 30 1915

Quite a lot of Ice set into the Bay last night though we can see water out beyond it and feel a little motion to the wind and the ripples on the rocks or shore this shows that there can not be much Ice off shore but with no wind we are helpless to start out so while we hope went up yesterday they have gone down to day we now wish to reach North Star Bay where we would be in a better place to winter as there are several houses there belonging to the station there our party could use and not have the vessel so crowded Mr Green went out in a kayak that a large iceberg but it sailed off the ice and sunk we had some trouble by a large Ice pan getting across the bow and dragging the anchor quite a little before getting it clear Calm all day

~~Tuesday~~ October 1 1915

Mild light calm weather there is still quite a little ice drifting about the Bay with plenty of open water and tide we seem to be in two parties some of us wish to go northward wind so that one can get out and work home while others wish to go around to north star Bay so that the vessel can be got ready for winter 40 years ago ~~the day~~<sup>th</sup> I left Cumberland Sound in the Bark Niles (my first voyage) Captain Spicer and this fact makes me still hope that we shall yet go home this fall some small chance in

~~Auterday~~ Oct 2

Still calm and everything remains the same for past time I have been working on Ivory have been working clothes we have very little soap in case we have to winter I break out for Doctor Honey's working

Sunday October 3 1915

No change in the weather the Ice remains the same in the Harbor and sometimes we get a little air for a few minutes The two sleds which went to Cape York returned last night and Mr. Green is going to return to North Star Bay with them and let Mr. Frencken know that we are here Mr. Green does not care to take the risk of going Home now that the season is so late Young Ice is making quite a little between the Ice pans Doctor Honey is much in favor of remaining over winter while I am still in hopes of going Home

Monday Oct 4

Last night a breeze sprang up from the East starting the pans of Ice out one of them got a crash the stem and dragged the vessel down to a small berg which was aground the Pan then got clear but we had to tie up to the Berg in order to keep the vessel from pounding against it the wind increased and is now from the S.E. with snow it is now more moderate but still moving the natives who came up from Cape York sent off 3 rabbits they had shot on their way up it this kind of weather they are unable to travel as they have to go over the Ice Cap

Tuesday October 5 1815

Had a strong breeze which made some  
sea causing the vessel to founder against the Berg  
to which we were tide too though the anchor  
was out well ahead the anchor had to be  
taken up and we dropped back clear and  
anchored again to day light winds there is  
now a heavy strip of ice extending across the Harbor  
entrance which has prevented our getting out  
though we got underway at noon and went out  
till we could not have gone either way north  
or south returned again & anchor overcast  
with wind increasing from S.E. one seal taken  
40 years ago to day I was in the Bark Mills  
we left Cumberland bound bound for the  
Coast of Africa, our Cook is the oldest  
man on the vessel I think he is 63 while I am  
59 all three Topmasts have been taken down  
and the jib-topsail unhoist

Wednesday Oct 6

Strong breeze from S.E with now smaller last night  
blowing but more moderate to day  
can see some ice off the Harbor all the people  
off with seal or play cards I have been  
working on Ivory carvings Doctor Tanguary who  
lost his two large toes last winter by freezing  
then had them cut off are still in a bad state  
these I work and dress for him each day

Thursday October 7 1915

Moderate breeze from East then calm and light  
 air there is quite a little ice off the mouth of  
 the Harbor one Anchorage was taken  
 our Mr Green started this morning to go  
 over to North Star Bay with the natives  
 he is to request Mr Preacher to come over  
 and have a talk with Doctor Harvey  
 regarding arrangements for a house for the  
 members of our Party to pass the winter  
 in the Harbor is now quite filled with  
 ice which has come in and is being knit  
 together by the new ice forming

Friday Oct 8

The ice has remained quite during the  
 night thick weather with a little damp snow  
 piled up a deck top in my room and  
 this caused Doctor Harvey and Mr Ebbell  
 to have the same kind in their rooms  
 the anchor was taken up this morning  
 but dropped again to night.

Saturday Oct 9

Dull weather with light damp snow  
 falling to night the wind has sprang up  
 from the N E and the ice is moving out  
 there is a little snow coming in

Monday

October 10 1915

Strong N E winds the ice has been blown well out of the Harbor though it still lies across the entrance. This Harbor is quite an open one and is perhaps 3 miles deep and about one and a half wide. Snowing all day and young ice forming but is carried out by the wind.

Monday

Oct 11

Strong breeze from N E during the night from East to N E to day moderating but snowing all the time at 3 pm had a light breeze from south hove up the anchor and came in near the North side of the Bay in 5 fathoms about 150 yds from the shore to lay here for the winter though no doubt we have Provisions enough and plenty of Kerosene and coal but many necessary things are not here.

Later it proved there was not Provisions enough

Tuesday October 12 1815  
 Moderate breeze from E. S.E. it is difficult to tell just where the wind is from as it either blows out of the Bay or the land is high on both sides while the head of the Bay is the sloping ice cap the young ice is carried out of the Bay by the light winds and Mr Green (Lieutenant) returned from North Star Bay with Mr French they came over with 8 sleds to take our party back with them so that we may live in their houses if this plan is carried out it will be better for all as the cabin is somewhat crowded the whole party is now on board and plans are being made as to what will be done I should be pleased to go far my part

Wednesday Oct 13

light air and calm harbor all skinned over with young ice it has been decided to let all remain on it is far over party to remain on the vessel for some time yet Mr Green and Peter will return and go to Etah and bring and bring back some needed articles from there they have gone ashore no air to be able to start early for North Star Bay the vessel crew are busy getting the vessel ready for winter have put a light frame over the after part of the vessel to be covered with canvas (old sail) Doctor Harvey has disposed of the coal and fire wood to Peter and scattered to the vessel

Thursday October 14 1915

Dull weather with light fall of snow wind light  
coming in from the west Put canvas over the House  
frame and stored the House in the Green and Peter  
came on board this morning as the weather was  
so thick to cross the Glacier the Ice is not strong enough  
yet to walk on

Friday Oct 15

Partly cloudy with light rain and calm Mr Green and  
Peter started this morning on their return and all the men  
put thru a hole in the boat by breaking a way through  
the Ice they all to go on to Etah in a few days this will  
also let Mr McMillian know we are hunting here  
instead of having gone Home work is being carried on  
getting ready for the winter

Saturday Oct 16

Fresh breeze with snow from off the Glacier first part  
of the night, let go the anchor far off the Ice  
might start out. The Ice though 3 or 4 inches thick is  
not yet strong enough to walk on or get to dry  
the weather has been fine and calm

Blue foxes came around the vessel at night one  
was fired at by the captain but did not hit the Harbor  
the black vapor indicated clear water

~~Wednesday~~ October 17 1865

Pleasant weather with bright sun variable  
for the first time the men have been able to go  
and come from the land on the ice though the  
engineer broke through a natural come off and  
brought a weak stone lamp to me to trade for  
a new knife. The plan now is for our party that  
Doctor Hoare Doctor Tanguay and Mr. Allen  
to go out by dog sleds to South Greenland  
and go out in the first vessel to Denmark

Temp 44

Monday

Oct 18

Slight moderate weather cut the ice around  
the vessel and placed her in position for  
the winter heading East. The position where  
we are is shown in a picture in the lower book  
called the Cruise of the Neptune entitled Parker  
Snow Bay Page 140 one blue fox was  
shot by the 1<sup>st</sup> mate close to the vessel

Doctor Hoare has just come to my room and  
given me a pair of rubber over shoes a  
pair of native boots and a pair of woolen  
stockings I have nothing but light shoes  
and my feet are cold during the day  
and some times at night on the voyage  
up he gave me a pair of rubber high  
Boots Temp 44

Tuesday Oct 19 1915

light air and colors pretty overcast  
the family of natives now come off to the vessel it  
consists of the man his wife and 3 children his name  
is Problaq these natives which I have seen while in  
this country look much the same as the central Inuit

temp 14+

Wednesday Oct 20

moderate weather with a little snow falling at times  
took a walk with Doctor Hovey saw one blue fox  
and 4 others were seen by ~~other~~ who were also out  
we are now getting ice from a ledge which is about 150  
yds from the vessel but our means of melting ice is  
very poor the gally stone is not large and the  
sabre stone is small one and hardly cracked  
so I melt ice in a tin can over my lamp  
to get water to wash with the gally and  
the news quarter will be down below forward  
which will be warmer and more comfortable

temp 10+

Thursday Oct 21

moderate weather with snow Doctor Hovey and I were  
out for a walk the Doctor fired at a blue fox  
the gally stone was put down the face peak and  
the crew also took up their quarters there and are  
now comfortable have stocked in on two meals a day  
very pleasant with high Barometer  
Have just finished reading with much interest  
a book entitled *Crusy Decisive Battles of the World*

Tuesday

October 22

1915

Clearant weather what wind there is is from the North but it is either east or west with us drawing either in or out of the Bay went out for a walk with Mr Eskblow we met Doctor Harvey he had passed off the distance across the Harbor Entrance and made it out to be 6 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  miles we saw a blue fox while out Nature came back from North Star Bay and Mr Peter French sent me a half pound of Tobacco and a pair of woolen stockings temp 10 +

Saturday

Oct

23

Clear weather winds strong but moderating N E the Cabin is quite cold the canvas covering is not on tight and much wind blows through and as there are no windows we had to have a number of lamps and lanterns some of the rooms are made warm by having blue flannel stoves in them there is little variety in the food the rice which we are eating is blackish but is nice because it is never there is a good Berg about 400 paces from us the Cabin boy now sleeps with the men forward

Doctor Harvey and his men are some of the Expedition surplys to help out in their meals

Sunday October 24 1915

Very pleasant with light winds easterly  
some of the men take walks out to the Harbor  
entrance report seeing a bear out in the drift  
Ice seal were also seen and one blue fox  
The native woman got 3 blue foxes in her traps  
Thickness of the ice 9.42 inches

Monday Oct 25

Pleasant weather with fresh warm winds apparently  
from NE can see water from the land where  
the ice has broken off well in towards the Harbor  
two natives arrived from Cape York. Ewin and Egin were  
they came up to see the land and also the native family  
here The woman has made a pair of bear skin pants for  
me She is doing much sewing for the Natives crew  
the number of natives living at Cape York is given  
as 4 men 4 women and 6 children

Tuesday Oct 26

Very pleasant little or no wind on Doctor Honey  
has sold the coal we brought up for Cokah to Peter  
Fresken 30 tons to day we had 89 bags of it  
ashore there is still on deck 61 bags this will go  
soon and the remainder in the spring  
a few seal were seen on the ice and outside  
the Harbor walrus were seen on the moving pack  
of ice Temp about 22 +

Wednesday October 27 1905

Quite a little snow fell last night, moderate to day the 2<sup>nd</sup> mate shot a blue fox near the vessel last night I have quite a sore throat and can at times hardly speak above a whisper got some medicine from the Engineer which contains some Carbolic acid one of the visiting natives took my rifle and got a rabbit

Thursday Oct 28.

Pleasant weather the sun is about gone from us now though it is still quite light during the middle of the day but the remaining 60 bags of Coal on shore The natives Egnewar and Cain started on their return to Cape York a blue fox comes around the vessel gets shot at and goes off only to return again

My Cold is somewhat better to day

The old Potatoes which we brought from Hydrocay have lasted till now and have kept good

Friday Oct 29

Pleasant mild weather temp about 65° & our people take walks every day Doctor Tansey our doctor is well and he is able to take long walks the evenings are passed in playing cards though Mr Allen reads while I spent my time working on my and read some book

Saturday Oct 30 1915

Light weather three native teams came from North Star Bay to hunt walrus near here they were Samuk Era and Iu taulii they came around by the shore one of the men broke through yesterday and his slacks were wet when he got here I let him have some of mine and now his are drying on cords which are strung overhead in the cabin. Blue foxes are most always seen by the men while out walking

Sunday Oct 31

Light weather and though we do not see the sun we have quite a good deal of day light took a walk saw lots of fox tracks but no foxes though others did no pains are taken to keep clean around the vessel but all slaps and ashes are thrown over the side whenever handy. Neither is any effort made to keep the vessel clean around deck the natives here use stone and sod for building their houses but have to be built in late summer time Doctor Harry in walking picked up a pair of deer horns there are none living here now; but at North Star Bay there are known to be 6 living there is very little land here that is not covered with ice

Monday November 1 1915

Slight moderate weather the natives who are here went out to hunt walrus but were unsuccessful though they saw 3 and the tracks of 2 bear several blonde foxes were seen by members of the crew while out walking I have been troubled with the Rheumatism in both hips Doctor Harvey gave me some medicine which made me feel quite well again.

Tuesday Nov 2

Slight moderate weather went out for a walk with other members saw several foxes and though I fired 6 times got no results 4 men arrived here from Cape York they brought but little trade the Captain gave a tune of Kerosene for a bear skin I got a piece of a broken narwhale tusk for a file I want this to work up into every cabin the natives who come were Egin war, Eunin, Ann mar blu ras, and Ann mar the took

Wednesday Oct 3

Slight weather the natives went off walrus hunting one of them has returned reporting that they saw a number of walrus but not able to get any in returning he got separated from the rest and as far the others have not returned am some what better of my Rheumatism but have a cold settled in lower part of my back

Thursday November 4 1915

moderate snow storm with but little wind

Took a walk with Doctor Honey the natives who went off after Hunter have not returned yet, it is thought that they may have returned to Cape York Captain Pickler now speaks of the Engineer as a very incompetent man for the Parrinian and that if he had had a good engineer we would not have had to winter

(This is also my own opinion) but when we were in Sydney he told me that he had a fine Engineer, one of the crew shot a fox to day am feeling better to day

Friday Nov 5

Light weather the Native started back for Cape York he is anxious about his companion perhaps they have gone on with out him Doctor Honey wished me to be present with him while he had a talk with Capt Pickler as to the meaning of the charter regarding the food for the Party which was taken on to return on the vessel Capt Pickler claim was that there extra men would reduce his food supply so that he would not be able to go to Etah

I explained that I was present when the charter was being drawn up and was assured there would be extra provision so that in case we had to winter in the north later when at Bridgport I looked over the list of stores he had made out and I then thought it sufficient but to night he was

unable to find that list, but brought out a list of what he did buy this was less than the original list

Saturday November 6 1915

Light weather This forenoon we put ashore the stores which belong to the Expedition Party part of these will be used on the trip which Doctor Harvey and his party will make this winter in order to return home by way of Denmark what they do not take Mr Eshblaw and I are to take over to North Star Bay and do such work as we can in collecting for the museum I think it will also be pleasant for us little or nothing is done to make life comfortable on board and there is very little order took a walk with Doctor Harvey

Sunday November 7

Light weather I went down the Harbor to where there is a vein of soap stone and got a few pieces to make into pipes two faxes were taken by Pooleman one was white this is the first white fax we have seen temp is now below zero for the first time

Thickness of Ice 18 inches

Monday Nov 8

Light weather one of the men shot a blue fox close to the vessel this morning, made a pipe out of soap stone for one of the men the same as the natives use in Hudson Bay our people take their daily walks

Tuesday November 9 1915

Strong breeze from N E drifting the snow the cabin  
is quite cold as the Conwell Home have many openings  
and though quite a help it is far from what a  
house should be I still work on Party and have  
made each one a napkin ring for our Party  
temp is about 18°

Wednesday Nov 10

Strong breeze from N E hard to tell for certain  
I have my room well fixed up so that it is  
quite comfortable though cold but no  
colder than the other the ink that I have  
been using has been drawing ink but to  
night Doctor Harvey has given me what I  
am now using

Thursday Nov 11

Moderate weather but to night snow is falling  
there is a little snow drifted near the  
house I have started to build a snow  
house the snow is not hard enough  
to be cut in to blocks and be handled  
we came near having a bad accident in  
the cabin by the Captain's rifle going  
off accidentally the bullet going in to  
Mr Ebbow's room close to his head the  
powder and splinters going in to his cheeks  
it passed in to Doctor Tanguay's Room  
but he happened to be standing took me.

Ebbow in my room and worked him up it gone  
him quite a shock as well as the Captain

my original planed the planed & small saw the length of time  
and this boat is in part a copy of it

Friday November 12 1915  
 moderate weather we get out ice now from  
 a bay 700 yds away commenced banking  
 with snow I finished the snow bank  
 Doctor Harvey and Mr. Ekblaw were out for a  
 walk but seeing there was a mist settling  
 they left the camera on the ice while they went  
 on to pick them up on their return a little  
 later our men saw it and thinking it was a  
 blue fox, the second mate took his rifle and  
 going as near as he thought safe fired at  
 it just missing it then as it did not move  
 went closer and discovered what it was  
 the vessel continued to leak and had to be  
 hauled out twice a week

Saturday Nov 13

light weather at first wind increasing this  
 afternoon to a fresh breeze I have been making  
 a cain for Doctor Harvey out of the wood from  
 the old steamer Fox wrecked in Disko  
 this was the vessel fitted out by Lady Franklin  
 to search look for her Husband and his men  
 it was under command of Capt McClintock  
 and brought back the only record ever found  
 of the missing ship I also gave Doctor  
 Tonguebury one bath of these cains have  
 Ivory heads to represent foxes at rest

Sunday November 14 1915

Moderate weather though colder  $18^{\circ}$ — the prospect of the severe surplus not holding out is becoming more apparent all the time. Tobacco is now at an end, oat meal and Beans every morning, Sunday morning mush and Beans

Thickness of Ice 16 inches

Monday Nov 15<sup>th</sup>

Moderate clear weather three sleds came up from Cape York 3 men and 2 women so now we know that the men who we were not sure were alright are safe. The cabin is quite cold so much so that in sleeping I have to wear a woolen cap on my head also a scarf and woollen socks and keep well covered up in order to get warm enough to sleep.

Doctor Harvey let me take a blue flannel stove to help keep the room warm.

Tuesday Nov 16

Moderate weather temp  $16^{\circ}$ — made two Plaster casts of the face of two natives also made cast of a woman's hand. There are all I shall be able to make as I have no more Plaster till I get to North Star Bay where there is a can of it which we left there before starting for home.

The side of my bunk is covered with Ice

Wednesday November 17 1915.

Moderate weather the sled party from Cape York started on their return this morning and at 6 pm a sled came North Star Bay Menee and Eganuar (There are two natives who have this name) Menee is the boy who was cared for by a Mr Wallace of New York he speak good English, this Eganuar is one of the 4 men who went with Peary to the pole they bring word that while Mr. Green and Mr. Breuchen were on their way to Etah they were met by Mr. McMillian who was coming down Mr. McMillian turned back Mr. Green going with him while Mr. Breuchen returned to North Star Bay Mr. McMillian will come down as soon as they can

Thursday Nov 18

Moderate very weather clearing to night the natives in this country do not unhook their dogs when at their journeys end but take them away from the sled and fasten them off one side in a bunch on the ice they will cut 2 holes close together so that they connect underneath them pass a line down one and up the other to this the natives are all fastened they also break off the teeth of such dogs as eat their harness

Friday November 19 1915

Moderate weather Mr Ekblow went down to Cape York  
men to stay a few days the other native  
Egnvar returned to North Star Bay taking with  
him a load of provision which is far and all  
when we go there live to day I filled up the  
two Plaster cast of hands which I had made  
also put up a shelf in my room to care for Mr.  
Greens Chronometer till he returns Mr Ekblow  
has been looking out for it

Saturday Nov 20

Pleasant weather with light air one of the  
men caught a fox in his trap the fox broke  
the chain but the young man followed it  
and finally caught it most of the crew  
have lice and it is becoming a common  
sight to see men scratch their bodies  
and keep on talking while our Engineer sits  
at the table in the evening and picks the  
lice off his shirt I am making a gavel  
(but not to kill lice with)

Sunday November 21 1914

Pleasant with light winds I do not go out walking as I have no furab gear and think I have a pair of Bear skin pants Doctor Hooley went out for a walk alone this evening temp between  $15^{\circ}$  and  $20^{\circ}$  and as the wind is not banked up the cold has got onto her and the table is not abundantly supplied in other words the Captain is forced to cut down on the food Doctor Hooley and the men who eat with him supplement there meals with extra provi-  
-ison which are brought up for Etah <sup>Food</sup> Canned

Thickness of the ice 19  $\frac{1}{4}$  inches

Monday November 22

Very pleasant temp  $15^{\circ}$  two sleds come from North Star Bay this even Mr French and Parneek for Peter come down to have a talk with Doctor Hooley regarding the trip south this afternoon two sleds came up from Cape York Mr Ebbow and men and a Native with his wife

one of the men got a blue fox in his trap

Tuesday November 23 1905

Pleasant weather but the wind increased at midnight from the north preventing my going up to North Star Bay on a visit as the winds were liable to open up the leads when Peter came down he brought some clothing for the men and sold it to Captain Pickler on ship as he could (at cost price) the Captain then sold it to the crew charging about twice what he was to pay Peter this Provenker Peter taught 18+

Wednesday Nov 24

Blowing fresh from the southwest and is quite warm so we did not start for North Star Bay on account of the storms at times raining thick we got ready to go but gave it up the Captain having loaded for a meal we had seal meat for dinner this made a very agreeable change

Thursday November 25 1915  
 Unsettled weather at night becoming stormy  
 Peter started on his return to North Star Bay with  
 two natives and 3 sleds taking some of the  
 stores with him which are for our use when  
 we go up there. The native with his wife returned  
 to Cape York no effort was made to celebrate  
 the day on the vessel but Doctor Haney brought  
 out a can of frozen salmon seeing there was  
 no change in the regular diet but it was  
 frozen so hard that we could but eat it,  
 he at the same time placed a plate of  
 Peanut candies and shortcake on our table  
 all well but a slight feeling of hunger  
 is with us most of the time

The Captain has just brought in a hot  
 cup of chocolate and the mate passed a pan  
 of hardtack

With the shortage of food I can not see how  
 the hopes of our party can be carried out.  
 to go up to Etah get all the material  
 and take it home Team 20+

Friday now 26

Moderate weather as there is no work secured on but  
 playing cards and reading though Doctor Haney  
 writes much of the time and usually takes a  
 walk with Doctor Tonguebury weather permitting  
 my room has become quite a workshop where  
 I work on Ivory, and other come in Team 5+

Saturday November 24 1915

moderate cloudy weather clearing at night  
no change in condition but every thing on the vessel goes  
on in the same slack way the family of natives  
who live here get their meals here on the vessel

The woman doing the brewing for the crew on shore

Sunday Nov 28

Pleasant the weather seems warm the temperature  
being 0° took a walk across the bay with Capt Pickler  
and spoke to him about what he intended to do in  
the spring regarding making the trip to Etah  
if he thought he had provision enough to warrant  
it and if he thought the vessel in fit condition,  
as it was necessary that I should know  
before the party start south he admitted that  
he could not say at present but his talk  
lead me to believe that he could see that it  
would be best all considered for him to  
start at once for Home thickness of ice 22 1/2

Monday Nov 29

Light pleasant weather that is considering the dim  
light, the talk of the shortage of food is  
growing stronger each day among the crew  
this is of course the Captains own fault  
again but every thing goes to show how  
little he knew how to prepare for such a voyage  
and incompetent to conduct the voyage

temp 10-

Tuesday November 30 1915

Becoming warmer and overcast with wind increasing prospect of snow storm have been making soap stone pipes more to show the natives how they are made in Hudson Bay. There seems to be a slackening up in playing cards and more of an inclination of each one keeping by them selves

Wednesday December 1 1915

Strong winds with temp at 9° Doctor Harvey came to my room for a little while he talked about his wife who had died a year ago to day he was in a sorrowfull mood I have felt that the journey south would be to hard for him, still it will be hard for him if he has to remain here or some will have to go to take out the mail he will be looked after and get help to me it is quite clear that we will have to get word home to have a steamer come up and bring provisions for this vessel

Thursday Dec 2

Wind fresh but more moderate than the last night some snow has drifted around the vessel which will be good to use in bank the vessel with

Friday December 3 1815

Moderate weather the crew have been banking up around the land there is but little light now during the day and we are looking forward to the return of the sun our breakfast which has for long time consisted of oat meal porridge and stewed Bear but to day it was varied by the Cook burning up the Bear

Saturday Dec 4

Moderate weather clearing at night the Barometer is very high which I think indicates a high wind soon most all all are writing to friends at home Doctor Harvey and his party are expected to start from here about the 7 of January Doctor Hunt Mr McMillian and Mr Green are expected here at the vessel any time from Estah

Sunday Dec 5

Pleasant weather though the days are quite dark in this country at this time of year the moon light night and day are much appreciated especially in traveling each Sunday I cut through the ice and measure its thickness

To day it was 24. " in thickness

Monday December 6 1915

Pleasant weather or would be if we had the sun each day. No effort is made to bank up the snow to completion though there is quite a little snow now. Temp 2+

Tuesday Dec 7

Light weather the temperature being about 5+ two sleds came up from Cape York on their way to North Star Bay two men with their wives they had to cross four open leads some of them an raft of ice

Wednesday Dec 8

Moderate weather temp 8+ the two sleds started on their way to North Star Bay taking with them some of the Provisions stored which we have stored ashore but the natives had to return as they met open water soon after getting out side of the Harbor they left their loads out there Doctor Honey said to night that Capt. Pickler said that as soon as he could get the vessel out of the Harbor next spring he should start for home, this action would oblige us to send home for a vessel to come up for us and take all remaining members and supplies home the lack of provisions is becoming more serious and no doubt provision will have to be sent to her

Thursday December 9 1915

Slight weather on account of the open leads  
the natives did not attempt to start out again  
on their trip to north star Bay temp 2°

I continue to keep busy on working every

Friday Dec 10

A stormy day some show weather clearing  
at night the way the vessel is run is  
very fitful and slack and is to me very  
descripting no order of any kind and in  
my Request to the museum I could not  
speak well for the way in which the vessel  
has been run and conducted we are having  
so far a remarkable warm season if one  
can call zero weather warm but for this  
Country and time of year

Saturday Dec 11

moderate weather the natives are still here  
they went out to Central Rock but found  
open water so that they can neither go north  
or return home temp 14° clear weather  
could see the reflection of the moon to night  
the malariis is so near gone that water  
is added to it to make it go farther

## Parker's Snow Bay

Sunday December 12 1915

Pleasant weather and for this Country mild the temperature being 1° the moon is now making the evenings quite light the two sleds started to cross the Ice Cap to North Star Bay expect to reach there by 10 pm we have had two meals a day since we settled down for the winter breakfast at 8 am supper at 4 pm lately we have each two small slices of Bacon and stove beam for Sunday breakfast and at supper a slice of Duff each with fresh canned meat in a stew and potatoes (dried) week day for supper we have a thin soup and salt beef and potatoes thickness of ice 2 1/2 inches

Monday Dec 13

Pleasant weather though there has been some fog hanging over the land temp 2°

Tuesday Dec 14

Pleasant weather temp 4°

Doctor Honey and Doctor Tonguey take their walk now by moon light

Wednesday December 15 1915

Strong winds during the night and to day some snow with it to night more moderate and clearing temp 28° The time seems to pass away quite quickly our mate Mr. Davis who Education is in books is limited wishes to learn and be able to take observations of the sun far latitude and I am showing him what I can to help him He is a very superstitious man and believes in Spirits and Mermaids having as he said seen one when a young man he also thinks the vessel is haunted

Thursday Dec 16

Cloudy weather seems warm 15° some snow was thrown up around the vessel Doctor Harvey has a large box of Peanut Candy chocolate, and assorted nuts this he opens occasionally and gives a box to each of the party but not to me but frequently treats Captain Risbiller this box was not sent by the museum but by some friend of the men up here this makes the men feel a little sore that he should take charge of it and handle it as though it was his own

Friday December 18 1915

Weather becoming fine had to rebuild my  
Snow House the natives show a little surprise  
to see a white man able to do this  
The continuance of the same food daily is  
becoming tiresome Doctor Howey's table can be  
supplemented with food which was brought up  
for the Etah Party they also have their grape  
juice with nuts and candies

Pleasant moon light now

Eleven p.m. I feeling hungry could  
only find a bit of dry bread and seeing  
the Captain having his hot chocolate with  
sugar and hard bread (he keeps the sugar in  
his room) this got the best of my temper  
and I accused him giving himself good things  
while I had to get along on a piece of dry bread  
this brought on some words in which he  
claimed that he bought the chocolate for his  
own use with his own money and that if  
I wanted chocolate to drink should have  
brought it before starting on the voyage  
Temp 47

Saturday December 18 1915

A very pleasant moon light day, took a walk with Doctor Honey, Had a rag bath and washed some clothes my files are now about worn out also the Ivory is used up temp 7-

Sunday Dec 19

Pleasant moon light days and nights some of the crew set traps and get an occasional fox  
Ship's tobacco is all gone also the soap is about gone  
I have usually had a smoke after supper but now tobacco is gone food being scarce there is a feeling of hunger especially when going to turn in

The Captain eats as little or the least of any one aside from his private lunch in the evening

Thickness of the ice 27 inches

Monday Dec 20

Pleasant weather it's winds appear whether we have a soft wind after the sun light that but the cold moon has a certain fine look there are a number of days when the gale around without letting up to day I have boxed up all my implements that I'll want and the material which I have to block up the entrance there stand so that now to be ready for the arrival of the north as soon as we can get back we can run over to north star Bay it is good to think that the river will soon start & come back

Tuesday December 4<sup>th</sup> 1815

Pleasant weather we send Captain Parker to day informed Doctor Harvey that he should leave here for Home as soon as the Ice would let him out he will thereby abandon all effort to carry out any relief for the Party at Etah so that this leaves it all to the Maroon to make another attempt to bring the Crocker Land Expedition Party out of the north, temp 17-

Wednesday Dec 22

Generally pleasant but wind increasing and becoming overcast 4 sleds came to day from North Star Bay Peter Muecken Doctor Hunt (this is the man who had gone off Deer hunting when Doctor Harvey went to Etah last fall to get the men in the launch) there is also 3 natives men and two women one of these men had made the trip with Doctor Cook in his attainment of the Pole I speak ex. that when the sleds return I am to go with them as my relation with Captain Parker is somewhat strained and there it is becoming more plain every day that the vessel is woefully short of Provisions and shows the necessity of Doctor Harvey's plan to take what he can of his party to southern Greenland so that there may be food enough to carry the crew through till summer but it looks as though they would have to send for food Peter brought me a pair of Native Boots

<sup>native men who came</sup>  
Etah, June 20. two women his no wife  
<sup>on they eat</sup>

Thursday December 23 1915.

Pleasant weather arrangements have been going on all day for the trip to South Greenland Doctor Harry and his party are to start on or about January 10 I have also prepared to go back with Peter & North Star Bay as I am not needed here and the men being short of food Capt. Pickler would prefer I would as then I would live on the Croker land party food this would help the men by reducing the number to feed & do this he has to release me of being Ice Pilot The sleds being loaded with stores we got away at 10 30 pm with full moon light the temperature being 5° we proceeded as far as the glacier when we came to open water then we had to unload and leave the stores on the rocks and return to the men at 2 30 am

Friday Dec 24

Could not leave to go over the top of the glacier on account of bad weather in the mountain hope to get away in the morning early

Temp 14°

Saturday Dec 25

To much wind to attempt to cross the glacier Christman has passed quite well with a few little extra for supper to which Doctor Harry added a few candies & nuts there is quite a tension on the minds of our party and also on Capt. Pickler as to the outcome of the men's party In part of all concerned

Tuesday December 26 1915  
 we left the vessel Peter, Doctor Hunt, myself  
 and the 5 natives two of them women at 3 am in good  
 weather and moonlight came up over the glacier which  
 is at least 4000 feet high found good going  
 all the way a distance of about 25 to 30 miles  
 the last 5 miles being in a valley or old river bed  
 this was the worst part on account of stony ground  
 arrived at the Haune here at 3 pm so we were  
 12 hours in coming over temp was said to be  
 45° but this is too low probably about 30 -  
 found Mr McMillian and Mr Green here

Monday Dec 27

The weather became bad during the night so that  
 Mr McMillian could not start on his journey to  
 the vessel Quite a number of natives here some  
 to trade and others working on their clothing for  
 the party going south some are away at the  
 minkanaries who live some ways from here

a sort of custom at Christmas time with the natives

Tuesday Dec 28

The weather cleared up but Mr McMillian was  
 unable to start on account of darkness

Peter makes it a point to see that we  
 have enough to eat

Wednesday December 29 1915

The weather being pleasant Mr McMillan started this morning to go to the end two sleds but no loads as they will go over the Glacier Mr Green and Doctor Hunt are here with me as we sat up all night we turned in at 9 am and slept till 6 pm fine weather we had some frozen sunset apples which we brought up on the sleds

Thursday Dec 30

we have turned the night time into day and remained up during the night for breakfast had roast goose which came out from Denmark in tin can we turned in at 10 am and slept till 10 pm and soon after that Mr McMillan came back from the end they brought my shirt of clothes which had been left at the shore and a box also a box of Bread these were a part of the loads we had left the night of the 24 inst

Friday Dec 31

Last night Doctor Hunt and I came up to one of Peater Haines the one we are to occupy the remainder of the season as it has been hired for us there are two rooms the master has one and we the other to day I boarded up some of the windows as some are broken.

there is a stove in the room but we have to burn the blue flint lamps to help warm up the room pleasant weather

Saturday January 1 1916

Clear weather but dark as the moon does not shine now far out we brought some things up from the Store House and intend to keep all our own goods in this House with us we have lost the one room and the up stairs which we keep our goods in we have a few Potatoes and onions which are frozen hard like so many lumps of Ivory when moved some natives came from the North to trade with Peter

Sunday Jan 2

Clear weather we are continually getting things up to our house and putting all in order here began looking up around the House Mr McMillian and Green stay at Peters

Monday Jan 3

Pleasant weather have been putting the stove pipe in order our Native man came in to day he is to work for us our party is to be a sub station for the Etah station

Tuesday Jan 4

Pleasant Mr. McMillian started on his return we continue to make improvements Mr Green is staying at Peters Doctor Hunt is preparing to go to the and to be of assistance to Doctor Harvey we have all expressed the opinion that there is too much risk in it for Doctor Harvey but he is very ~~desirous~~ of going far the name of it, and also get home

Wednesday January 5 1815.

Pleasant weather, banked up more around the Harbor the natives came in from their part of the Harbor and tend the fire and get ice for melting these natives look very much like the natives of Hudson Bay region though they do not talk their force and then much different

I like them very much as they are obliging

I do not think they do as good work but they not the variety their boat gun is much inferior to the central Indians

Thursday Jan 6

Pleasant Doctor Hunt left here for the seal yesterday with moose and two other sleds these sled teams may bring back some of the stores I bought of Peter 4 narwhale tusk at \$15.0 per pound they come to \$73.00 I am alone here now aside from the natives in the other part of the Harbor and dogs in the Entry way

Friday Jan 7

Pleasant have been waiting home am alone here while Mr. Green stays with Peter some times they come over for a visit very little regard is paid to time of sleeping

it is now midnight and Mr. Green has gone back to supper at Peter

brought up a can of kerosene oil from Peter

North Star Bay

Saturday January 8 1916

Pleasant weather am expecting the return of the sleds from the wind any time though I am here alone I do not feel loasom the Native Come in but as their language is quite different from the People I have been with and though there are many words somewhat alike the difference is enough to bather them Meuse arrived at midnight brought 3 boxes he left the vessel at 3 pm

Sunday Jan 9

Pleasant at first but becoming overcast with the wind coming up from the NW a little snow falling takes most of my time in working and there is always small work to do the Native show a disposition to do all they can for us with out pay

Thickness of Ice 28 1/2 inches

Monday Jan 10

Pleasant again every thing is now ready for a start (Mr Firebrace is going with the Party as leader on the journey south) to the schooner he says now he will leave here the 12<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday January 11 1906

Overscast with a little snow falling and  
native men started off to hunt some  
where north of here I have been writing letters  
to send by the Party going north

Wednesday Jan 12

Cloudy with a little snow Mr. Freuchen  
with several dog teams and native drivers  
started to day for the west Lieutenant  
Green went with him I sent letter to  
my wife Capt. Spicer Mr. Battell of New Bedford  
Miss Keller Chaffee and to the Advertiser  
my Home Paper several sleds came from the  
North Mr. McMillian sent a letter to me by one  
of them he was about half way up to Etah  
Egeland and his wife come up from the  
Kewel last night got here a little after midnight  
with a load of Provisions these two are  
to work for us also men we this will  
make our Party of 3 of us and 3 natives

Thursday January 13 1916

Overcast with a light snow falling and light wind from North our native Eginwan and his wife left this AM farther North of here he said he had no food for his dogs I suppose he will remain away for some time and hunt walrus he is one of the 4 men who went with Peary to the Pole I am the only white man here at present till Doctor Hunt and Mr Ekblaw come this thick weather will detain the Party at the Hotel and they will be stranded especially if the weather holds bad

Friday Jan 14

Stormy wind constantly strong snow now these strong winds drive in to the House and though there is a coal fire the room is cold, it has greatly surprised me to hear the women in the other room sing religious hymns of course in their own tongue but the music of our own Country one piece Praise my God to the sky carry the air through in fine voice with out a break what impresses me most in the fact that they can raise and fall the scale no perfect

Saturday January 15<sup>th</sup> 1916

Very strong winds during the night with drifts  
known to day more moderate but still strong

There is said to be about 250 natives  
between Cape York and Etah and far Clathrus  
they use Bear skins which would take about  
100 bear each year and fox skins blue and  
white (mostly blue) about 600 allowing \$1.00  
apiece for the Bear and \$1.00 for the fox skins  
(this is very low for the fox skins) it will  
be seen what it cost to cloth the tribe  
Seal skins are also used and Deer skin  
though not numerous seal skin are used  
some for clothing and altogether for tents and  
house covering there Fox skin clothing  
is certainly handsome

Sunday Jan 16

Clear and Pleasant natives came from the north  
last night to get the Doctor for a native who had  
cut his thigh with a harpoon which was lashed  
on his sled they have gone to the land this morning

I am alone here now as the natives have gone  
to the Agents House to live the house is  
quite cold in working the dishes the spoons  
froze to the table before I could use them  
and there were not many either

Thickness of Ice 31 inches

Monday January 17 1916

Pleasant, there is but little I can do now only getting the house in better order but it is most impossible to keep it warm most of the time it is quite cold, now that Mr. Meuschen is away I have to go to his house Monday and care for his weather reports and records

Tuesday Jan 18

weather becoming overcast got ready for a storm by getting in coal, ice, and oil two of the Native men came in to see me one brought in 5 duck eggs had them for supper it is the custom of these natives to store away large quantities of eggs in the laying season under rocks there keep well and remain frozen which soon takes place they are mostly Eider duck the birds they get are mostly the Murie or little Auk these are stored away then there is still a smaller bird down here about the size of quail they catch many thousands of these with nets set up on poles

Wednesday Jan 19

overcast Doctor Hunt came at midnight with three sleds partly loaded with stores he reports that Doctor Heaney party got away on the 100 boat that Doctor Heaney broke down at Cape York and is to return to the vessel

Thursday January 20 1916

Pleasant and thick till afternoon about 2 pm Doctor Hunt started on his trip north 8 attend the Native who had his thigh cut this leaves me alone again to help heat the room have to use a primus stove

Friday Jan 21

Pleasant alone all day have been sewing Deer skin to make a sleeping bag these three skins came from north of Etah where Deer are more plentiful while here it is said there are only 5 known to live far dinner I baked some frozen Potatoes which are brought from Home they are about a year and a half old but were real good

Saturday Jan 22

Pleasant slightly cloudy have had a sleeping bag made to day of the Deer skin by a couple of the women though I have several Army blankets my feet get quite cold to keep my head warm I wear a skating Cap all canned good remain frozen sealed the lower part of the wall partition are covered with frost

Sunday Jan 23

Pleasant Castle in gear on his way up from Cape York brought up a can of bread but had to leave a box of dried fruit on the shore on account of open leads a note from Mr Ekblaw states that the Party left Cape York the 20<sup>th</sup> and he was staying with

Doctor Harry and would return when the two supporting sleds returned Doctor Harry is well the native who moved away from this house returned to day

Thickness of ice 3 to 4 inches

Monday January 24 1916

Pleasant weather I must admit it is rather lonely here alone the women who live in the other part of the house worked my clothes and come in and worked up the floor went to Peter Haure and fixed up the weather records that is take off the old and put on new one Thermograph and Barograph

Tuesday Jan 25

Pleasant two sled came from the north and report that the Doctor would not be down for about 10 days, there were also two sleds come up from the west and report Doctor Harry and Mr. Ekblaw as being there, They brought with 8 boxes of Provision, I got one of the natives to make some string figures (Cat Cradles) these figures represent animals and birds and fishes and are of interest when collected from all parts of the world

Wednesday Jan 26

Pleasant at meal times I open up some kind of canned goods but being alone do not feel like eating. (the canned goods being frozen solid) but it shortens up the day I am trying to work on Ivory in fact do any thing to help pass away the time

Thursday January 27 1910  
Pleasant the two sled from Lake York started  
in their return they will stop at the well as they  
go along

Friday Jan 28

Pleasant Doctor Hunt returned from his trip up north having attended the natives who got badly but he found that the natives had sewed up the cut with camel thread some native came back with him one of them about 14 who is Pemys son a fine looking boy

Saturday Jan 29

Pleasant two hooded did come up from the west  
they had 18 boxes in all Doctor Hunt is getting  
ready to go to the west to morrow I have been adding  
to my collection of skins figures have now 27

Sunday Jan 30

Pleasant Doctor Head left at 10 am with two sick  
one of the women here threw a fit to day this is  
common among this people and is known as <sup>to be</sup> ~~Polar~~ <sup>to be</sup> ~~blow~~  
and is sometimes brought about by seeing something  
unusual, done quite a working to day Ice 36 <sup>inches</sup>

Monday Jan 31

stormy strong winds clearing the snow  
the two cape york sleds did not get away -  
to day as they expected Egmund and Cawie  
atraction here had much to do with there not  
going

Tuesday February 1 1916  
 Pleasant the two sleds which brought up  
 provision Esquimaux and Esquimau started on their  
 return for Cape York will stop at the seal  
 on their way, I take part of my time to  
 bring Coal which is about a  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a mile away  
 and get Ice from a barge which is near the shore  
 then with washing clothes and cooking the day is gone  
 by all water frozen in the room and night  
 two sleds come this evening from the seal with 9  
 boxes Doctor Honey sent me a pair of boots  
 one of the Native men here stayed at home and  
 cared for a small child while his wife went  
 off hunting Rabbits with a rifle

Wednesday Feb 2

Pleasant the two natives who arrived here  
 with provision Amenia and Annawko (Peary son)  
 are expecting to leave to-morrow to go north  
 our day light is the same as the light we  
 get a home in the morning before sunrise

Thursday Feb 3

Becoming overcast with snow at night the  
 two natives did not get away but are enjoying  
 themselves among friends as they have to be  
 fed it takes some provision to keep them  
 and we have none to much for our selves

Friday February 4 1916

Pleasant weather the Native got away this am on their return trip to the north Headie who lives in the other part of the house went with them he acts as the agent in the absence of Peter we got quite a little light through the windows though they are well covered with ice and frost

Saturday Feb 5

One of the Native has gone to the land to bring up Mr Ebballow and some Provisions I wrote a note to Doctor Harvey thanking him for the boat he sent me one of the women here went out hunting with a dog they got one Ptarmigan which they trashed for dinner

Sunday Feb 6

Pleasant - the sled returned from the land but Mr Ebballow did not come the Native explain that the reason he did not come was on account of the open leads he evidently did not get to the land thickness of ice 37 1/2 inches

Monday Feb 7

I work some on Ivory and this takes up my mind the lights I have are very poor as the lantern globes are badly cracked and when cleaned I have to replace the broken pieces in them but they smoke up very quickly. it is surprising to me how little wind and snow we have, but steady cold

Tuesday February 8 1916

Pleasant though becoming a little cloudy  
The natives here in the Haars are very noisy  
and I wish many times they were out of it  
they are also very destructive and wasteful  
The Agent Mr French evidently has no  
control over them a general rule is that  
the poorest natives hang around stations  
while the better Hunter get out and hunt  
for them selves

Wednesday Feb 9

Weather clearing fair sleds left here to go to the  
village to bring up our provision, Expect them  
to return to morrow with our Eskimos, there is a  
very old woman who comes in most every day  
and I give her a cup of tea (the natives are very  
fond of it) to day she came in a second time  
but I did not give her any and I thought she  
went away mad a little later I heard the  
natives in the other room crying and groaning  
and it thought came to me that the old woman had  
committed suicide but later my mind was  
relieved on that score but it was caused by  
the death of a woman of the tribe living up  
north of here and a relation of hers

Thursday Feb 10

Pleasant the sleds did not go yesterday  
as I had thought but went to day

Friday February 11 1916

Pleasant though a little cloudy the sleds returned they were not able to reach the land on account of open water

Saturday Feb 12

Slightly cloudy the clouds show a reddish tinge so it will soon be time to see the sun again the ice around the windows begins to clack up so that I can get off quite a little to day also around the door on the inside

Sunday Feb 13

Cloudy slightly the land to the south of us prevents us from seeing the sun but the clouds show pink color to day, have been cleaning house and washing clothes the natives here are very noisy and very careless of every thing about and in a very few years every thing will be destroyed and uninhabitable last night they took the front door off the singer by constant stamping

thickness of ice 41.75 inches

Monday Feb 14

Cloudy the natives here in north Greenland do not have the custom to any great extent of having their Anticash meetings same as the natives of the Main land but only once in a great while have there powwows there is one native here who has become an Anticash they certainly have abandoned many of the old customs of by gone days

Tuesday

February

15

1916

Pleasant the days are getting longer but still in order to see about the room have to burn a lamp all the time while in the evening the lamp light is very dim the natives have duck Eggs which were collected last year and have been kept frozen to day a native brought a few which he wished to exchange for a can of sweet corn the temp held from  $35^{\circ}$  to  $40^{\circ}$  I do not use the thermometer only once a week which is at the other house three sleds have started for the vessel

Wednesday

Feb

16

Pleasant our head native came to day (meace) he is the interpreter he brought some real meat Mr Ekblaw arrived at 9 pm some of the crew have been stealing the stores which were left on the rocks outside the Harbor

Thursday

Feb

17

Pleasant Mr Ekblaw report that there is much discontent on the vessel and some sickness he has been making arrangements about the Harbor and preparing for a trip up to Etah there is more provision to come up from the vessel

Hendrick who has been gone returned last night

Friday

Feb

18

Pleasant Mr Ekblaw went off hunting but no success three sleds started for the vessel but had to return on account of open lead

Saturday February 19 1914

Partly cloudy with a little snow I saw the sun for the first time this winter a number of the natives were to start north wolf hunting but the weather did not seem favorable to them to start Mr Ekblaw has also got ready for his trip to Etah he has left written instructions for me to be sparing of the food this is the 5<sup>th</sup> time that I have been reminded on this point one excuse held out to me is that a seal may not come for us though Doctor Harvey has all the necessities but all luxuriant this has got on my nerves it not being left to my judgment or to how much I shall use in the instructions it is recommended to mix the molasses with water

there is about 2<sup>5</sup> gallons of molasses and 300 lbs of sugar

Sunday Feb 20

Cloudy at first but clearing later Mr Ekblaw with men got away this morning for Etah several sled with other natives also went to the north to hunt wolves It has produced a feeling of sadness in me to feel the lack of confidence which is apparent in the instructions left me as though I might want the food or trade it off little things worn up big in these high latitudes in fact it was inauguration which first conceived the Crocker land and Fathered the Expedition thickness of ice 45.1/4 inches now all the natives are gone and I am alone again

Monday

February

21

1916

Generally pleasant To day I got along without a light for a while as the sun is now so that it shows for an hour or more over the hills still the room has been cold all day, The dogs are dying off one of them to day went crazy and the natives shot it

Tuesday

Febr

22

Strong winds this morning but becoming moderate by noon Partly cloudy put up a thermometer at noon the temp was 11° at 3 pm 13° - Colder feel when out side some warm effects of the sun

Wednesday

Febr

23

Worst storm of the winter so far a blinding blizzard I should say from N to so bad I could not go out side to look at the thermometer at 3 pm at noon it was 12° every thing moveable blown away I wound the clock up so hard that it broke the main spring have tried to repair it but to cold & weak temp at noon 12°

Thursday

Febr

24

The storm moderated during the night every thing moveable was blown away one new sled was carried away and badly broken the kerosene barrel was frozen so that I had to break it with a crowbar through the bury hole

Temp at noon 16° -

Friday February 25<sup>th</sup> 1916

Partly clear light air the language of these natives is quite different from that of the central Guineas I find it difficult to talk with them and so can have little to say to them and as they have every thing they want from the Station they are very independent and for that reason I keep alone temp at noon 20°

Saturday Feb 26

Partly clear good weather the natives go out to Haunden Island and are now out there it is known as Espar Little Anch our coal is now gone so that I have to depend upon the firebox stove this might warm up this might warm up the room in ordinary weather but as it is 25° it hardly seems to effect the room my hands and feet are cold all the time unless I hold my hands over the flame temp at noon 21° 4 pm 25°

Sunday Feb 27

Pleasant the room is to cold to do any work or there is no coal to keep it warm though I cannot say that I am very uncomfortable even when we had the coal it was soft coal and fire with some marsh it

thickness of Ice 41  $\frac{1}{4}$  inches

Ice seems to vary in thickness at different places in the same vicinity temp 21° at noon

Monday February 28 1916

Pleasant the temperature is the same this morning 9° this was far lack of coal for two days we built a fire to day as one of the natives got a bag of coal (Hendrick) where they had 9 bags it was of good quality and I have had a fire but the sun is getting higher and this is going to help but I sleep cold

temp at 9 am 29° noon 24°

Tuesday Feb 29

Pleasant to day I cleaned the windows of the ice coating which has accumulated on them from the inside it was a half inches thick and dark with smoke they now let in much light and some warmth from the sun with a fire in the stove it is quite comfortable it is pleasant to realize that the spring is coming where there is no wind the cold is not so bad we certainly have had very little wind here this weekend temp 9 am 29° noon 24° 4 pm 27°

Wednesday March 1 1916

Becoming overcast with a little snow falling, for part time I still work on Ivory and now make napkin rings for Mr Ekblaw temp 10 a.m. 22-

Noon 14- 4 pm 16-

Thursday March 2

Overcast with a little snow falling a sled come from the north (Cree) when Mr Ekblaw left for Etah he said he would forward to me from there some Provisions but this Native reports that the ice has broken away from the shore nearer so that sleds can not pass a native here Sieglo (one of Peary's men, with Gale) says he will go to the seal to morrow

temp at noon 13-

Friday March 3

Overcast and thick part of the time Sieglo started to go to the seal if he can get there three sleds come from the north they were Koo-lee-ting war, arctic fox to work too, and Hendrik they report much water close to the land my hair which had become quite long I had cut I might say badly cut by one of the natives

temp at noon 9-

Saturday March 4. 1916

Overcast at night wind increasing there has been a little snow falling during the day. The natives who came yesterday brought from Etah 5<sup>th</sup> boxes of Provisions sent by McMillian also one rifle for Doctor Hunt these people intended to go on to the Nenel. Coole Lingwaa can not speak & highly of Doctor Cook who he thinks is a fine man and was pleased to hear that I knew him he traveled with him quite a good deal when Doctor Cook was with Peary. I have spent the day in putting his rifle in order for which he gave me a piece of walrus meat.

Temp at 3-

Sunday March 5

Overcast there was a strong breeze last night I was surprised to day to see a woman out doors with out any garments on her lower limbs aside from the covering around her hips (this is something like a recent bathing suit) the temperature being 10° one of the men for fun set shore after her and away she ran over the snow.

Coole Lingwaa and his companion left to go to the Nenel thickness of ice 48 inches

Monday March 6 1916

Pleasant the sled that started to go to the  
several had to return to day as they found open  
water the natives sledge returned from the  
several over the ice cap and of course carried  
not bring any thing with him I had a note from  
Doctor Harvey

Tuesday March 7

Dark weather till towards noon then clearing  
Cloudy was and our putt to work to, started  
to return to their home north of here I sent  
a note to Mr. Ebbles the natives have all  
moved out of the house and once more  
I am alone and quite tank at noon 16-

Wednesday March 8

Strong breeze during the night to day  
moderate and overcast cooking and doing  
small jobs clearing up the house now that  
the natives are all gone though some find  
it convenient to drop in at meal time  
tank at noon 12-

Thursday March 9

Light fall of snow last night to day  
very overcast though not unpleasant

tank 14-

Friday March 10

Light snow all day Eric Gratiel started this am  
for Cape York will stop at the several and a note  
to Doctor Hunt and a package from McMillan & Co. P. G.  
noon tank 18-

Saturday March 11 1916

Generally overcast a little snow falling  
the native Eric returned on account of open  
water temp at noon 20-

Sunday March 12

Overcast some wind this afternoon  
a little snow temp 7- thickness of ice  $4\frac{1}{2}$  <sup>inches</sup>

Monday March 13

A stormy day blowing fresh and driving  
the snow two natives come in to visit  
this evening my hands are so cold & white  
though there is a fire it is 9° in the house  
temp at noon 8°-

Tuesday March 14

Dull weather with light winds and snow  
falling most of the time had a pair of stockings  
made from some pieces of deer skin left over  
from making my sleeping bag

temp at noon 10-

Wednesday March 15

Dull weather with light snow falling  
increasing to a fresh gale have been washing  
clothes and cleaning up the floor in order to  
keep the out side door closed I have a  
large stone as a weight on a rope to myself have  
had to add an anvil the wind being heavy  
gets in & the house temp at noon 2-

Thursday March 16

Dull with light snow fall all day the wind  
moderately during the night, temp at noon 14-

Friday March 17

Strong winds a blinding storm this forenoon  
this afternoon more moderate but becoming colder  
the front door blew open and went off the  
hinges had to hang it on the inside, it  
seemed at times as if the house would go over  
noon temp 11 8pm 20-

Saturday March 18

moderate weather partly cloudy the days  
come and go quite quickly the nights seem  
the longest the natives seem to make  
it a point to come in at meal times no  
Doubt hoping to get some thing to eat  
as drink they are fond of tea in order  
to avoid them I have to eat rather irregular

There is food enough providing a few  
comes up this season but are holding  
back from waste of food in case no one

temp noon 15° 8pm 23-

Sunday March 19

Generally overcast though pleasant the  
middle of the day light snow falling at  
night the native Eric made another attempt  
to go to Cape York but had to return  
on account of open water

Thickness of Ice 47 1/2 inches temp noon 15°, 8pm 19-

Monday March 20 1916

overcast my time is spent in working on  
Ivory and reading some evenings then there are  
the meals to get Oat meal or Corn meal and  
beans there is quite a lot of canned goods  
but am saving these for the Coal is now about  
gone Hendrick had 9 bags of coal at another  
part of the Bay he let me have 4

noon temp 12-, 8 pm 18-

Tuesday March 21

Dull weather and the cold seems greater perhaps  
because of dampness in the air the natives here  
are getting short of meat and some of them  
are getting ready to leave and go to the northward  
where they can hunt walrus noon 12-, 8 pm 18-,

Wednesday March 22

Quite Pleasant though partly overcast a number of  
the natives started off for the north hunting walrus  
when I went out to read the thermometer at noon  
there was a Bear up on the meat rack with in  
4 feet of the thermometer it did not take me  
long to run in and get the rifle and shoot it  
It must have been very hungry to have come  
around the house it was very lean and  
one or two year old it had climbed on  
the rack a place where the dogs are unable  
to go three women and two men came  
running so as to help skin the Bear and in that  
way would be entitled to a share of the meat  
they got it all took noon 14- 8 pm 24-

Thursday March 23 1916

Pleasant light air and cold the few people left here all claim to be quite certain of final temp noon 19° 8 pm 24°

Friday March 24

Very pleasant weather the Native Eric started again the day before yesterday had to return last night on account of open water he now intends to try the route over the Ice cap temp noon 15° 8 pm 20°

Saturday March 25

Pleasant this morning those natives arrived from the west they were Eric wife and son they had been brought up from Cape York to the west and had then walked over the glacier they had waited a number of days at the west for Eric to come for them temp noon 16° 8 pm 21°

Sunday March 26

Ourselves moderate weather the few natives find it convenient to drop in at meal time to day while getting some beans ready to cook I picked out the mouldy ones and were thrown out on the ash heap the natives went out and picked them up to take to their Igloo to cook  
Thickness of 90 48 1/2 inches temp noon 7° 8 pm 11°

Monday March 27 1916

Overcast with a little snow I was surprised to day when down at the other Haune to see a dog hanging up dead and when I enquired about it was told they had killed it to eat and were looking forward with pleasure to cooking and eating it it is not that they are short of food but they like to eat dog meat often the meat they have on hand is badly tainted this they like but now they wanted something fresh here after when I hear of natives eating dogs I shall not waste my sympathy on them thinking how awfull hungry they must be

temp at noon 5- 8 pm 12-

Tuesday March 28

Overcast light snow the time would go slow if I did not have useless tasks to set up in to every carriage but as it is the time goes quickly and I do not mind being alone so much, temp noon 5- 8 pm 12-

Wednesday March 29

Pleasant and clear the coal is now all gone have been part of the day without a fire the even is quite cold

temp noon 11- 8 pm 18-

Thursday March 30 1916

Very pleasant bout with nothing but a primus  
stove the room is cold and my feet have been  
cold all day the room is frosty up again

Temp at noon 16- 8pm 23-

Friday March 31

Very pleasant the walls of the room frost  
up when there is steam rising from cooking  
have been trying to get the two men who are  
here to go to the vessel and get Coal and  
Provision if they can get there they say  
they will go temp noon 19- 8pm 22-

Saturday April 1 1916

Very pleasant two natives came from the north  
yesterday at night they were Arbaasler and  
Oukbig they report plenty of walrus taken  
to the northward

Sunday April 2

Very pleasant It seems warmer out doors  
than in the house the oil stoves do not  
seem to warm up the room the natives seem  
to take pleasure in looking at the things  
I have made of Ivory and like to arrange  
them in groups

Monday

April 3

1916

Pleasant weather three sleds came from the North over the Ice Cap Egnuvor Eun and Tawutut the latter from Upernivik he brought a note from Doctor Harvey which told of our people having arrived there all right they were 23 days getting to that place and were to leave the 14 of February to go on Doctor Harvey's note also states that part of the provision left on the outside of the Harbor (some had been left on the ice) had been carried off by the ice breaking up west bank this was carelessness and all provision should have been placed on the shore Koo looting was come from the north he brought me a large piece of walrus meat for which he wanted a hatchet

Tuesday

April 4

Very pleasant Koo looting was and Egnuvor (the Cape York one) went off sealing to day have not returned yet

Wednesday

April 5

Very pleasant the natives who went sealing yesterday were not successful but report the ice in good condition to pass over to the vessel and now preparing to go tomorrow also with them the sleds that are to return to Cape York the only time I can get warm is when in the sleeping bag even then it takes some time

Thursday April 6 1916

Pleasant fine sleds started south three to go to Cape York and the others to stop at the end to bring back coal and provision, to offset there going 6 sleds came from the north four of them from Etah which Mr. Etah had hired & bring down provision they also brought some walrus meat Outah and our Eginuar (Perry's man) the others were Kusking-wa and Arkanuk there 4 were the ones for us the other two were Enuk the teacher who is a south Greenland man and his son Erhanqauq there was 14 boxes in all one rifle and one pick axe

Friday April 7

Pleasant made two plaster casts of men faces Outah and his brother Eginuar (Perry's <sup>man</sup> brother) they do not speak well of Peary from the fact that he has not given them what he promised to give them and it has left a bad impression no doubt in my mind but that he at the time promised them more than he would but for the pleasure he felt at the time of having reached the pole he sent a graphophone to Outah by us when we came up but there are four men and the graphophone is not so usefull they do not hesitate to say they are disappointed very much in Peary

Saturday April 8 1916

Slightly cloudy the two sleds returned from the vessel they could not quite get her but were able to get the Boxes which were out side the Harbor the other sleds had to go up over the glacier from there and in that way reach the head of the Bay the two sleds brought back 2 boxes of canned apples one of Tomatoes and one of Asperrup

Sunday April 9

Pleasant The sleds that came from the north started to return 5 of them while one went on down the coast & the vessel, Sent a note to Mr Ekblow and also wrote to Doctor Harvey it is so cold in the even<sup>n</sup> that the ink keeps frozen and my hands to much <sup>to</sup> write

Monday April 10

Pleasant the Native Eric who brought up some of the stores on the 8<sup>th</sup> had four of his dogs die yesterday, One of the women who works at the Agents House brought up a loaf of oat meal bread she had made it was very good, and it was thoughtfull in her Husband also brought up a tier of Kerosin as I have used up one since coming here

Tuesday April 11 1916

Pleasant still working as I am now making some Gavels each morning when I get up there is ice on the blanket which comes from the moisture in breathing as I keep well covered up

Wednesday April 12

Pleasant every thing goes on the same from day to day get up at 8 note the temperature two of the unpleasant things is going to bed and the other getting up and dressing I get warm in the sleeping bag but still it is not unpleasant here as I keep so much

Thursday April 13

Pleasant condition remain the same occasionally some natives drop in unless I keep busy I feel the cold

Friday April 14

Pleasant one sled Sights came from Etah bringing four boxes dog biscuit (pea soup) also two boxes containing fox-skins Negro has not seen Mr Etah but brought a letter to me from Mr McMillion

The native who went to the U.S. a few days ago returned at day bringing the small bag of coal The native family who have lived at the U.S. all winter come up with him this leaves the U.S. alone only the natives who came to trade or visit

Hod a note from Doctor Hussey and Doctor Hunt Poobles and his family are going

on farther north

Saturday April 16 1916

Pleasant becoming slightly overcast during the afternoon Karkinguac and Problac continued on their way to the northward of the goods that bigloo brought there were only 4 boxes for this place and these probably contains fox skins made a plaster cast of bigloos face he being one of many men was able to have a fire & stay and start some of the frost off the windows and sides

Sunday April 17

Generally pleasant though overcast during the forenoon with a little snow later bigloos started to return to the northward send a note to Mr. Ekblaw also one from Doctor Harvey and Doctor Hunt Thickness of ice 53 1/2 inches

Monday April 18

Thinly overcast with light snow falling all day at the time the sun is shining through have not felt the cold in the house so much the windows and the door are still partly covered with ice and frost

Tuesday April 19

Thinly overcast some snow in the air there was a strong breeze during the middle of the night for some time we have had only light winds are now working on claim the wood some from the wreck of the steamer Fox now a wreck in Desko Harbor Greenland

Wednesday April 19 1916

Pleasant though a little hazy to day I have been busy mending clothes the natives here are very short of food and why some of them stay here is more than I can understand

Thursday April 20

Pleasant Mr Ebbblaw came last night at 11 pm with Meenee and 8 dog men he gone out to Haundur Island to get some walrus meat for his dogs expects to return to morrow three sleds came from the north with more provision from Etah, Kootoo ting was came up from Cape York staying at the house on the way (has been bear hunting) he brought up a barrel of flour also a letter from Doctor Honey

Friday April 21

Pleasant though slightly cloudy Meenee returned this evening with a small amount of walrus meat Kootoo ting was started on his way to the northward

Saturday April 22

Pleasant (my birth day) am 58 year old Mr Ebbblaw made quite a day of it and set out quite an elaborate dinner even had the flag up two sleds started for the north and two of the north Hendrick gave as a present a pair of walrus tusk and Mr. Ebbblaw a fancy real skin bag made in South Greenland

Sunday

April 23.

1916

Pleasant three sleds came up from Cape York they had stayed at the Island and Doctor Hunt came up with them they brought some provision up from Island they report our two sleds <sup>in</sup> passing them near the Island thickness of ice  $5\frac{1}{2}$

Monday

April 24

Pleasant though slightly cloudy the natives are now getting seal on the ice there is now much talk of some of our party going home in the schooner for fear no seal may come to take home the whole party with all their collection and equipment and Doctor Hunt thinks the Museum will not continue the pay longer if any are staying longer

Tuesday

April 25

Pleasant menee and another native started south menee is to go to the Island for provision the two sleds returned from the Island this morning they brought up 14 bags of coal they killed 3 seal while they were gone

Wednesday

April 26

Pleasant two sleds started to return to Cape York and two the north as things are now I can see that plans are being made for me to return in the schooner as Mr. Ekblaw evidently prefers to be here alone with the natives to help him

Thursday April 27 1916

Overcast with light snow falling this afternoon  
broken clouds this afternoon The place where I have  
been sleeping was a low bench wide enough for  
two and when either Mr Ekblaw or Doctor Hunt have  
been here have shared it with me though both  
men are quite lousy and last night I wishing  
to sleep by myself went in to the room which  
the natives had used during the winter this  
morning Mr Ekblaw took it as an offence against  
his authority that I should do such a  
thing without asking him and find out if  
it would be agreeable to him.

I have read this to Mr Ekblaw and he says  
that I have not stated it correctly but says  
hereafter he will consider me as free to from  
his party and I may do as I please  
such a little thing as not asking him  
if I could go in there shows how small  
a thing can be to give a man offence in  
these high latitudes the real fact was  
that he wanted the room for himself and -  
certain natives.

Our men returned from the Kural at 2 am  
with provision there is certainly a large  
amount here now

Friday April 28 1916

Stormy strong winds during the snow especially this afternoon. Higloo came in from the North as I now expect to return in the schooner with Doctor Hooley and Doctor Hunt. I have returned to the station the narwhal tusks which I had bought I do not feel that it would be well to take anything besides my personal baggage also sent back the walrus tusk that Hendrick gave me as a present.

Saturday April 29

strong winds and though the temperature has been up to zero the warmest we have had still the wind is damp and cold

Sunday April 30

strong winds which shake the house this is the first day that the temperature has got above zero

Monday May 1. 1916

Partly cloudy though generally pleasant our native men went off sealing got a large seal before long three seals started on their return north many birds are becoming common there are also the ravens but they stay here all winter

Tuesday May 2

Fresh warm winds though raw weather snow is disappearing fast seal are now hauling out on the ice so they will now be plenty from now on weather permitting hunting

Wednesday May 3

Cloudy with light winds the reason I do not mention the wind direction is that it cannot be told with any certainty it is so variable under the mountains for cooking we each take our turn, while men go hunting seal

Thursday May 4

Pleasant though slightly cloudy Mr French arrived here to day from taking the party south he left them near Disko and from there on they would go with the Baffin all were in good health

Friday ~~the~~ about ~~May~~ <sup>was</sup> a mistake as Mr French did not arrive till the 5<sup>th</sup>

Friday May 5<sup>th</sup> 1916

Pleasant Menee has gone <sup>yesterday</sup> out to the healing grounds to stay a while taking a tent with him we are having now day light both night and day

Saturday May 6

Pleasant weather light cirr. Menee are now on the moose going and coming our Native Menee returned with 4 seal

Sunday May 7

Generally pleasant though a slight fog at night some arrivals from the North Ootah and family among the rest Peter came up and had dinner with us Menee got 4 seal

Thickness of ice 54 1/4 inches

Monday May 8

Some ~~beginning~~ fog the tops of the mountains being clear light variable cirr

Tuesday May 9

Fog I have repaired the windows in the house by cutting and putting in new glass and have placed stone at the door way for steps

Wednesday May 10 1916

Pleasant though slightly hazy with moderate wind from the Northwest our Native men and Doctor Hunt went off hearing no return though they saw three on the Ice a report from the Native farther north tells of a shooting accident one of the men in handling his rifle it went off and killed a young boy about eleven year old. the man was the first one to return from the Party who went north

Thursday May 11

Dull weather at first with moderate breeze, this afternoon clear and pleasant Egemaw and his wife who came to work for us arrived to day from the North two other young men came with them the Native expect that Gulls and little auk have arrived around the water and Islands

Friday May 12

Partly cloudy moderate wind with very baking day though Doctor Hunt said all the baking bread stuff have breakfast at 8 am and supper between 3 and 4 pm

Saturday May 13

Overcast with fog at times on the mountains Mr Ebbelow with men and Eginaw started to go to the level over the Glacier some natives came from the North have been working and mending clothes

Sunday May 14 1916

Overcast with snow in the air at times  
wind light and variable one of the natives was  
operated on by the Doctor I took a Plaster  
cast of Ognevia face another one of Peary men  
this makes the 4<sup>th</sup> and completes the number  
we have made 10 plaster cast in all also one pair  
of hands thickness of Ice 5.2  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches

Monday May 15

Overcast with fog part of the time some snow  
in the air Mr Ebbell returned this morning at 4.30  
he brought a note from Doctor Honey which  
notified me to return on the Vessel Home  
as he and Doctor Hunt are also to return Home  
in her the reason being the fear that a vessel  
may not come to take Home the Crocker Land Party

Tuesday May 16

overcast some fog at times a little snow I have  
been digging about an old grave hoping to find implements  
but was not successfull The minister who lives north  
of here came to day with his family wife and 4  
children they spent the evening with us he can  
not speak English but it was pleasing to  
meet him as well as his wife Menee and  
Eguneewa went seal hunting menee had no success  
but Eguneewa got 8

Wednesday May 17 1916

Overcast with fog most of the time Doctor Hunt got a seal to day Mr Davis the mate of the vessel arrived here this morning he is going to help the Agent put his Launch in order which was damaged by the ice but soon my day as cook the mate Mr Davis will board here while at work

Thursday May 18

Overcast but more broken clouds no fog to day went around the old ruins and made sketches of their construction not felt well during the day but at night a little better the two natives Egnan and Menie got & seal this morn 23 so far for this month

Friday May 19

Overcast rather thick with snow falling at times the ground is still frozen & hard to dig with any success around the old ruins but I pick up what I can which is but little some times the natives being in somewhat of a retreat

Saturday May 20

Quite a little snow fell last night from two to three inches but it soon melted away when the weather cleared off though there is much of last winters snow yet on the ground in places to morrow

I am to go out to Paundar Island and look around the old ruins for a few days

Sunday May 21 1966

Pleasant weather though a little overcast this forenoon. Came out to Raundon Island to stay a few days and dig around the Old ruin for anything made as used by the former inhabitants. Moore and Eguruy came out with me two sleds they got a large seal (Sejancy) left some of it here and have returned to the Haule there is no little bear ground that the tent is placed partly over snow and my sleeping bag is partly on the snow the weather is comfortable can hear gulls and ducks and in the water about a half mile away clear to Palempie Rock the ground for the present is to hard to dig

Monday May 22

Dull weather moderate breeze from the Eastward snowing a little at night can not carry on any work as the ground is frozen to hard there is much open water to the south and west ice broken in more to day

Tuesday May 23

Snow falling most of the time, at night clouds more broken menue came down last night brought down a kettle and a can of oil he shot a few of the murres (little auk)

Wednesday May 24

Pleasant have been able to dig a little around the river but not much since the ice is breaking up all the time, between the nests of the Little Auk and the Gulls is like the grinding of the ice or the breaking of the surf on the beach, the meat of the Seagulls is not tough by cooking and I eat much of it now have cut up some in to thin slices to dry on the rocks

Thursday May 25

Very pleasant till night when the fog settled down Doctor Hunt came down with Egenvær they shot a few of the Little Auk the ice is breaking away and is now up to the shore ice and working in towards the main land

Friday May 26

Pleasant this fore noon but thick fog this afternoon Egenvær returned to the house this morning the Doctor brought down a shovel for me and I have been able to clear out the snow from the old house so that the sun may thaw them out

Saturday May 27

Pleasant all day the water in the kettles froze over last night and it is colder at night continue digging but get but little

Sunday May 28 1916

Cloudy with a little snow Cold and raw with moderate breeze Easterly wind. Saalitshalm Island is now clear of ice during bad weather the little auk keep to see the Doctor and I went to the cliff that only one Auk ate the ashore of it

Monday May 29

Stormy at first later pleasant went over to the cliff with the Doctor that 10 Auk Egnar came down and brought the canoe Egnar that a number of little Auk the Doctor returned with him to the house

Tuesday May 30

Pleasant at first, at night strong wind with snow a Native Saamey came down he will remain all night he came to see the Doctor not knowing he had gone to the house

Wednesday May 31

Stormy last night and this forenoon afternoon better but snawing and raining at night Saamey reports that men have gone to the Uml with Mr Davis or he has got through working on the launch Saamey says the reason that the Igloos have been partly worked away is heavy seas later it proved to be a tidal wave the 25<sup>th</sup> (about) of October 1903 Mr Rasmussen was living here at the time, some claim the land is settling

Thursday June 1 1916

Stormy through the night and the forenoon  
afternoon clearing and becoming pleasant there is little  
here now if a person could be here when the  
snow was off the beach no doubt but that some  
things could be found what I have found will  
prove of interest but it has taken a lot of hard  
digging

Friday June 2

Pleasant though the wind is raw the Doctor came  
down with me now there is nothing I can do here but  
will stay with the Doctor till some visitors come  
or he wishes to remain here

Saturday June 3

Generally pleasant though slightly hazy  
menie started for the station but that an  
icing and brought back a part of it  
The Doctor and I went up to the top of the  
Island from there we could see Cary Islands  
the sea to the East of the Islands was clear of Ice  
later went out in canoe got a few duck

Sunday June 4

Slight snow falling most of the day  
we went out in the canoe but had  
to return soon

Monday June 5 1916

Pleasant weather we went out in the Canal and over to the small Duck Islands there is much snow on them though the usual time fair then to day is the latter part of June Mr Peter Kneucker came down with his people to remain.

Tuesday June 6

Pleasant though ~~slightly~~ overcast while we were out yesterday we saw a few wolves the Doctor shot a couple of Duck Old enough the hard tack we have are something awful broke one of my teeth in trying to eat one

Wednesday June 7

Stormy wind and snow from S.E. a native Kooloolong war came down to see the Doctor to have him look at the hand of his son in order to do better by the hand the Doctor returned to the House (it is about 15 miles) Peter also went up leaving his family they did not go up finally

Thursday June 8

Stormy wind S.E. to day the Doctor and Peter went up to the House to attend the boys hand blood poison having set in

Friday June 9 1916

Stormy during the forenoon but later.

Pleasant the ground is well covered with snow while much of the old snow still remains water in the kettle froze over there last two nights

Saturday June 10

Generally pleasant dug around an old ~~house~~  
but found little. Had my hair cut by  
one of the women Peter wife

Sunday June 11

Pleasant with moderate to fresh winds  
Egenvær Cape York came down with his wife  
to stay and this afternoon Doctor Hunt  
came down with our Egenvær Mr. Ekblaw  
sent a note in which he prefers that  
I should remain a few days longer here

Monday June 12 1916

Pleasant though partly overcast, last night Mr Colbourn came to the Camp with men so it was then arranged that I should return to the Haire and dig around the Old Igloo there several natives came out to the Island before we got started I returned with Eganwar on our way up I was much interested in the way the native hunt seal Eganwar saw a seal some ways off and drove towards it and when he got near enough he stopped the team of 14 dogs and taking his little sled on which was rigged about a yard of white cloth to act as a blind in front of him he walked as near as safe and then crawled along pushing the little sled ahead a small hole in the cloth allowed him to keep through and also the rifle to pass partly through in the mean time I thought every thing depended on me to keep the dogs still and I stood in front of them with the whip but the moment the report of the gun was heard the dogs sprang forward and I had to jump on the sled to prevent them going over me this I ran for the sled and jumped on with such force that I went over and landed on my back hurt my ankle and had to walk up to where the seal and dogs team were waiting

Tuesday June 13 1916

Generally pleasant have been digging around the old Igloos but got but little as the ground is frozen hard after digging down a few inches

Wednesday June 14

Pleasant fresh breeze from S.E. this afternoon Egenewar in hunting seal to day got \$ I dug around the old ruins but spent much of the time going around among the old Igloos after

Thursday June 15

Pleasant with a fresh breeze from East digging but got but little Mr. Ekblaw returned with menee reports that the natives have taken a walrus each day for three days

Friday June 16

Very pleasant menee and Egenewar have gone out to Haundur Island to stay a few days took several Pictures of the old Igloos also got several skulls of natives

Saturday June 17 1916

Very Pleasant while I was digging around among the old ruins I saw four men coming towards me and as they got nearer could see that two of them were white men. Then one called out and said how do you do even then I could not believe my eyes or ears then they though come to me that some men had come and there were ~~none~~ of the crew. Then one of them stepped up and said he was Rasmussen and then introduced his companion Mr Koch. I was so pleased to see them for they could tell what was going on in the world they left Denmark in March and come in steamer to Holstenborg North Greenland then by small boat and then dog sleds on up here.

When they told me that they had left two letters at the house for me the tears came to my eyes to think I should hear from my family and home.

I then excused myself and came to the house and got the two letters one from my wife and one from Mr. Sheword of the mission. My wife letter talks of the loss by death of some friends the letters were written February 7<sup>th</sup> and the 9<sup>th</sup>. Many thanks to Mr. Rasmussen

Sunday June 18 1916

Mr. Rasmussen went out to Saundar Island last night to see his Agent Peter Frenzen he took out letter for Doctor Hunt they all returned this evening they have been very successfull in taking walrus took 4 to day they brought up a number of Eider Duck eggs

Monday June 19

Generally pleasant though a little overcast there is much talk now of changing place about how the party will go home

Tuesday June 20

Overcast with light snow this afternoon two sleds started for the village Menee and Eginalar taking the letter for Doctor Harvey Menee has made arrangements to go back in the village with Capt. Pickler so he is not expected back here it is possible that Doctor Harvey may come back with Eginalar depending on what news he may hear from home

Wednesday June 21

Partly pleasant with fog at times, at night clearing with fresh breeze from N.E.

## North Star Bay

Thursday June 22 1916

Pleasant weather moderate breeze from N.E.  
 Menie and Egnewar returned last night and  
 to day have gone to Hauder Island  
 Doctor Hunt found to day the nest of a  
 bird known as the Knott with 3 eggs.  
 in it it is considered quite a valuable  
 find as none are known to be in  
 Collection Mr Rasmussen has gone up  
 to the Mishawasis Haue north of Cape Parry

Friday June 23

Pleasant with moderate winds now Mr Ekblaw  
 Doctor Hunt and I went a short distance  
 inland over the hills to where Dr Hunt  
 found the Knott's nest took a number of  
 Pictures of the bird on the nest and also  
 of the eggs in the nest (3) was able to hold  
 the Camera with in a foot of the bird  
 later took eggs and bird (and later the nest)  
 Doctor Honey sent word for me to come down  
 when convenient before the first of July

Saturday June 24

Pleasant with moderate northly winds  
 Packed up some narwhale skins which I  
 had bought of Peter in case there should  
 be a chance to send them home.

Sunday June 25 1916

Becoming overcast and snowing equally strong  
breeze from the East to show the carelessness of  
the natives, when Mr Rasmussen went down  
to Saundur Island the natives all came back with  
him leaving 8 walrus on the ice (the meat)  
instead of placing it on the shore which was  
very close later when they returned it was  
carried off by the ice drifting away

Monday June 26

Pleasant though fresh breeze from S E then  
N E Mr Rasmussen returned to day and  
is now preparing to leave in three days to go  
over the ice cap to the north shore of Greenland  
on exploring work

Tuesday June 27

Strong winds from East some snow and rain  
this forenoon Mr Rasmussen started this morning  
for Saundur Island

Wednesday June 28

Strong winds from N E during the night  
and most of the day at night moderate north by  
west a walk over the hills hoping to  
find a knout's nest saw several old ones  
but not new ones Mr Ekblaw and the Doctor  
are out now looking

Mr Rasmussen returned from Saundur Island

Thursday June 29 1916

Snow with strong winds during the latter part of the night stopped snowing at noon but still blowing overcast this evening Mr. Ekelbrow is entertaining Mr. Barnum and Mr. Koch also Peter. Doctor Hunt found another Knot nest with 4 eggs in it last night he stayed out all night. Menec and Egnewar returned from Saunillo Island this morning.

Friday June 30

Came over the Ice cap to Parkers Snow Bay with Egnewar he left the Haue at 1 pm while I had started earlier, after we reached the Ice cap we had strong winds with damp snow and could see but little way but Egnewar made the trip in good shape and we reached the Haue at 11 pm where I was well received by all all are in good health though the food supply is short the men have been and are catching large numbers of small birds which nest in the Teller or among the tumbled down stones from the side of the mountain the Harbor Ice extends off from the Haue about a mile and a half no chance of its breaking up till the next high tides.

Saturday July 1 1916

Strong winds from the eastward Eginevar is unable to return on account of so much wind and there must be much more on the mountain

Sunday July 2

Strong winds with snow and rain during the night and this forenoon, Afternoon weather clearing but still strong winds water freezing on deck there is neither Butter Sugar or Malassis now on the vessel with the large amount at North Star Bay 2000 lbs of sugar 2000 lbs of malassis it would be the right thing to do to divide some with the vessel as there is no doubt best that there will be a vessel up here soon

Monday July 3

Strong winds with snow most of the time at night less wind but moving hard Eginevar got one seal and he with the men got a number of little auk (the very small kind) what Tobacco the men have is of very poor quality and but little of it it was brought up from North Greenland by the return party

Tuesday July 4

Sea mixed but more regular at times it is too thick for Eginevar to return and probably much more wind on the mountain

Wednesday July 5 1916

Pleasant, Eggnog started on his return  
I have been digging in old ruins for material  
found a few things took a few snap  
shot pictures of the old ruins

Thursday July 6

Generally pleasant though strong winds  
from the eastward there winds are cold as they  
come off the ice cap the Harbor ice shower  
little signs of ~~breaking~~ up this place seems  
to be warmer and more protected in winter but  
it seems cold in summer on account of the  
wind coming down off the glacier worked around  
the old ruins and think that I have finished up  
all that can be done

Friday July 7

Strong winds from off the land to day I have  
collected moss and flowers Doctor Honey also  
went out then Capt Pickler Doctor Honey got  
off the story this evening that when he was  
coming down from Etah in the Saumik last fall  
at a place near Huyas Harbor they saw  
so many rabbits running up the side hill  
that it looked like a snow squall  
as the rabbits are white it makes a fair story  
for a minister now first place in  
the Arctic

Saturday July 8 1916

Moderate winds Early a little rain and snow  
collected more flowers and moss took a walk  
with Doctor Harvey one of the men that a seal  
The men are employed in catching the very small  
seals which net about here in millions there are  
caught in nets rigged on poles they have taken as  
many as 600 in a day yesterday they took over 100  
and about this many every day it is estimated that  
3,000 have been eaten on board also many eggs

Sunday July 9

Very Pleasant Light variable wind. Collected  
a few mosses with Doctor Harvey Capt Beckler found  
and brought aboard two young blue foxes

Monday July 10

Very pleasant Mr Parmussen (who had to give up  
his north Greenland trip) with Peter and Mr Koch  
with two natives come over they have offered to  
take Doctor Harvey back with them if he wishes to go  
it is arranged now that I should go also and we  
will wait at North Star Bay for the steamer which  
Doctor Harvey expects to have come

Tuesday July 11

Pleasant, light breeze Now this is the best wind for clearing  
the ice off shore but the Harbor shows little signs of breaking  
up. we are now all prepared to start and are waiting  
till midnight this gives the snow a chance to harden up  
on the lower hill on the glacier it is always hard  
on leaving my chest to be sent home when we'll arrive

Wednesday July 12 1916

Pleasant weather though partly cloudy Doctor Honey and I left the vessel at midnight with Mr. Rasmussen party Doctor Honey had quite a lot of baggage so that each sled had quite a load he rode all the way even when the sled had to go over long stretches of stony ground we were eleven hours in coming over Capt Pickler gave us a 6 lbs can of mutton to be eaten on the way over also a lunch before starting

Thursday July 13

Pleasant weather have been digging around the old Igloos but no success but the more I see of these old ruins the more I am impressed with the great length of time that the Inuits have inhabited the country and must have been more numerous in older times

Friday July 14

Fog during the night but to day cloudy but good weather my day for cooking Doctor Honey is the Creek far to morrow in Rasmussen with some natives have gone to Boulders Island for a few days part way by sled and the rest of the way by boat

Saturday July 15

Generally pleasant though at times a little fog had better success in digging about an old Igloo

Sunday July 10 1916

Cloudy with a little fog at times rather cold and raw though we are now having high tides the ice never lets up of breaking up I estimate the highest tides to be about 12 feet

Monday July 11

Pleasant there was a little snow falling this morning had some success in digging at this bank which I think will go down in history as Cornell Kitchen midden

Tuesday July 12

Pleasant during the fore noon but thick fog this PM my day for cooking but found time to go and dig a couple hours got a few things

Wednesday July 13

Pleasant most of the time then fog part of the time, continue to dig and find good material took snap shot picture of the bank in which I am digging one shows Peter digging

a year ago to day we sailed from Sydney and have not accomplished any thing only were

Thursday July 14

some fog but generally pleasant among other things found in the refuse thrown out was a stone knife woman

this bank of refuse is the accumulation of several hundred years and much interesting material is there

Friday July 21 1916

Generally pleasant though partly cloudy Mr Koch and Peter are now quite interested in the debris where I am digging each day I get some interesting articles

Saturday July 22

Dull weather light rain nearly all day Mr Rasmussen and the natives came in from Haundur Island last night they did not have much success on walrus 3 oxjerry and 1 narwhale no ice to be seen from Haundur Island to seaward

Sunday July 23

Dull weather frost freeze from 18° although it is Sunday I could not refrain from digging as the time is so short before a seal may show up here from Home

Monday July 24

Dull with a little snow at times continue digging with some success but the ground is frozen so that I have to change places find large amount of whale bone there are parts of whale bone matting and nets but just how used is not certain

Tuesday July 25 1916

Overcast with moderate Easterly wind the same routine digging with a few results took dinner with Mr Rasmussen all they have to eat is just what the natives get in hunting we had Narwhale and coffee (it was made out of burned bear) were I in charge I certainly would divide with them as there is quite a supply of Provisions here and it is reasonable to suppose that there will be a barrel up either his or ours here soon

Wednesday July 26

Dull weather with moderate winds my day as far as two seal taken this Bay still remains covered with ice while on the north side of the Point the ice is all gone out

Thursday July 27

Forenoon dull after noon stormy Mr Rasmussen Mr Koch and Peter came up and spent the evening ice starting out a little

Friday July 28

Strong winds with rain during the night and this forenoon after noon better but light rain and mostly could dig a little the rain comes through the roof making every thing wet the ice did not all go out of the Harbor

Saturday July 29 1906

Dull weather and misty at times Mr Rasmussen is having the roof of this house covered with roofing paper, as the sun is quite high even at midnight they are working at night in fact these people work more at night than in the day time

Sunday July 30

Partly cloudy but generally pleasant  
Went down to Mr Rasmussen house  
the coffee that they use is made of roasted  
split pea then grind and boil they certainly  
are living with out many comforts, very sparingly

Monday July 31

Pleasant have been digging and as usual  
in this bank get somethings of value espacial  
as they are very old have decided the Bank  
so that Mr Rasmussen could carry out his  
wish to make a special study of the whale  
bone neck

Mr Rasmussen takes a very great interest  
in the Savids and makes their lives a study  
part and present has written several  
books on their lives and traditions

Tuesday August 1 1916

Pleasant during the forenoon but overcast and some snow this afternoon last night Peter got his motor boat out by keeping close to the shore managed to get out of the Harbor and around into clear water north side (the ice is still in the Harbor) he then went with Mr Cook and some natives to Cary Island to collect Elder down to dry one of the Harbor Points which I found has iron in it which may be meteoric iron this will be proven when it gets to the museum.

Wednesday August 2

Strong winds from S E which has taken the ice out all the implements which I find I keep in cardboard which shower them off to better advantage Mr Norman was sick and took supper with us

Thursday August 3

Fresh breeze S E but more broken clouds my day as Cook but went over and dug up a few implements Natives are working on the roof

Friday August 4

Fresh breeze increasing at night Peter and his party returned from Cary Island while there they found the grave of a white man one of a ~~Swedish~~ party of explorers this party died of starvation but just where the remainder (2 others) died is uncertain in 1906 (Swedish Expedition)

Saturday August 5 1916

Very strong winds during the night & day a little more moderate each day I continue to get a few things by digging went down for a short time to visit Mr Rasmussen

Sunday August 6

Pleasant and the warmest day we have had since the last August the 8 last year so Doctor Harvey says I think the temperature has been up to 45° & keep adding to my collection by digging The ice being all gone we have to bring water about a half mile

Monday August 7

Pleasant weather I moved my sleeping bag over to one of the old Igloo as I prefer to sleep over there alone my day as Cook

Tuesday August 8

Very pleasant winds light variable each day Dig what I can as the ground thaws out slowly what I have collected makes a good showing and valuable

Wednesday August 9

Afternoon pleasant but fog during the afternoon Doctor Hunt has gone to Haunden Island with our Rasmussen and some natives in the Power Boat

Thursday August 10 1914

Some fog but pleasant part of the time we are anxiously looking for a vessel to arrive my day at Crook's as Dr Hunt is away hunting we made quite a little last night

Friday August 11

Light snow this forenoon but pleasant this afternoon

Saturday August 12

Dull weather snow squalls this afternoon wind increasing Mr Karmann and Party returned from hunting trip they took 1 walrus 1 arctic and 2 seals

Sunday August 13

Generally pleasant arrangements are now going on for us to go up to Etah with the launch and get Mr McMillan and Mr Small leaving all on board everything of the collection stored in the Haule then return here and start south in the launch for Holsteinborg and then take the steamer for Denmark this is in case no vessel comes in the meantime

Monday August 14

Strong wind from N.E. but little. Ice in night have packed up all of the collection which I have made as I expect to go to Etah in the launch

North Star Bay  
Circuit for EtahTuesday August 15<sup>th</sup> 1916

Pleasant light variable winds we started at noon in the launch to go to Etah Mr Kasmussen, Doctor Harvey, Peter, the Engineer Hendrick, and myself when near Cape Parry we had some trouble in getting through the ice but cut through and the weather becoming thick we stopped at (Nestchilevick) a settlement at 2 am

Wednesday August 16

The weather cleared up this morning to another settlement (Naskale) where there were three families. Doctor Harvey arranged to have a pair of boats made for me which we will get on our return then taking on Kivalluktuk we went on to Herbert Island where we stopped at an other settlement Ulligset where Mr Kasmussen has ordered another pair of boat for me the men were all away hunting the fog set in so that we have to remain awhile at 9 pm fog clearing and we started on again wind moderate S E

Thursday August 17 1916

we arrived at Etah at about 11 am very little  
ice met with on the way and but a few large in  
sight from here there are 6 tents here besides  
the House light airs and calms went ashore  
and passed the afternoon at the House  
it is arranged that Mr McMullan stay  
here and Mr Small go back with us  
and be of the Party going south to a  
Holstenborg south Greenland  
in case a vessel should not come in and  
rain this afternoon

Friday August 18

left Etah at 9 am weather improving but soon  
came on wet again and remained rainy with snow  
and fog till we reached Herbert Island where we stopped  
awhile then came over to Narvak where we had  
taken Kvaloatingvar from Peter is quite sick the  
natives at Herbert Island report picking up a piece of  
a boat painted green or yellow (they have no word  
to distinguish the colour apart) moderate breeze now

Saturday August 19

we came from Narvak & Neetshleivick early this am  
but had to remain on account of fog later it cleared up  
and we came a short distance and were stopped by  
the ice then on the turn of the tide it worked up  
and we forced our way to Cape Parry and on  
quite a lot of ice

Sunday August 20 1916  
 we run till midnight then had to anchor on  
 account of fog till about 7 am then came across  
 Skoltenholm Sound most of the time it  
 was quite thick fog and considerable ice we  
 reached North Star Bay at about 11 am  
 Peter is very sick with a high fever

Monday August 21

Generally pleasant but becoming overcast with  
 a little rain at night all the talk now is about  
 the Coming trip south in the launch Preceding  
 the vessel does not come before the 25 as I have  
 understood the launch was to be hired of  
 Mr Rasmussen with the understanding that  
 I should be in charge of it on the trip  
 south But now Mr Rasmussen would rather  
 sell the boat outright in which case Doctor  
 Honey can place any one in charge he pleases  
 it was also expected that Hendrick would go as the  
 Engineer as he has always run the Engin and is well  
 acquainted with it this would have placed two of  
 us in charge and wholly responsible for the trip, But  
 the others would not bind them selves to do as  
 reported, Doctor Honey is in favor of this and  
 would still be wished to dictate just what I  
 shall do and not allow me to use my own judgment.  
 Doctor Hunt is the only one who seems to be willing  
 to trust to my judgment and experience  
 I said put some one else in charge and I would help  
 all I could

Tuesday August 22 1916

Very pleasant Mr. Hammerson has gone to Cape Alulal in the launch taking dogs and sleds intending to go up on the glacier and go over where he can see how the conditions are in Melville Bay his report will have much to do regarding our starting in the launch to go south, the fact that no seal can get here would indicate that there must be lots of ice

Wednesday August 23

Overcast a little rain at one time Continued digging and find articles last evening while at the house (I still sleep in one of the stone igloos) talking with Doctor Harry I thought he tried to dominate over me and I told him he acted like a young rooster that kinder quited him down and we finally parted by shaking hands but still it must have rankled in his mind, to day while I was digging he came over where I was and as he appeared so suddenly on me I looked up in surprise and said Hello Doctor he replied hello the little rooster has come over to see the Big rooster then we laughed and shook hands again

Thursday August 24 1906

Overcast with strong N.E winds a little rain  
 The plan of going south in the launch seems  
 to be given up as Mr. Rasmussen and the natives  
 are of the opinion that Melville Bay is packed with  
 ice and also as Hendrick who is the Engineer  
 declines to go on account of the risk plans are  
 now being formed for the distribution of our  
 party among the natives to pass the winter  
 among them while I am to return to Etah  
 and live there with Mr. McMullan we are all to  
 remain here till the 15<sup>th</sup> of September

Friday August 25

Moderate overcast weather the natives are having  
 some success in hunting narwhale and seal on  
 the north shore of Melville Bay found with the  
 aid of the launch

Saturday August 26

Generally overcast, it is now decided to give  
 up the trip south (thinking about it) in the  
 launch Mr. Ebbell, & Doctor Hunt will  
 go out in the winter by dog sled and  
 Doctor Hunt Mr. Small and I will go  
 to Etah and remain

Sunday August 27

Overcast with light airs my day as Cook  
 but find time to dig and always get something  
 of value

Monday August 28 1916

Very pleasant Doctor Harvey is now again talking of starting off in the Launch to try the trip & go south but my advice has been before starting out to send a party up on to the ice cap to where Melville Bay can be seen and then know the conditions before making the attempt he has gone to Saunders Island on a pleasure trip with Mr. Rasmussen he is quite variable just proposing one thing then another all lack confidence in him <sup>it</sup> and all wish to be free of him I am now well provided with Boots 3 pairs thanks to Mr. Rasmussen

Tuesday August 29

Very pleasant the light Northwesterly winds cause the ice to come in from whalers harbor sand that it is doubtful if the launch can return from Saunders Island (Glacial ice) a native came over from Cape York and reports that there is no water to be seen which explains in part why no vessel has come

Wednesday August 30

Pleasant, contrary to what a person might think it is this light weather which makes the young ice form between the large pieces no wind to keep the water in motion

Thursday August 31

Pleasant Ice is now well knit to gather in the Harbor the launch returned last evening to the north side of the Point, washing clothes in a break ice along its edge

Friday September 1 1916

Overcast with fog and fine snow at times  
I have not been feeling well and have moved  
back from the Native Igloo to the House have  
also a bad infection on one finger which affects  
the whole ~~arm~~ Doctor Hunt is very kind in  
fact all are so to me

Saturday Sept 2

Overcast light weather my arm is still affected  
by blood poison in my finger Doctor Hunt cut  
the sore open this morning and has taken my  
place as Cook to day the talk now is that  
we are to return to Elkh the 5th and Mr Ekblow  
will live here and go out in the winter with  
Mr Rasmussen

Sunday Sept 3

Overcast with some snow the ground being  
well covered and the Harbor well frozen over  
all feel discouraged by the usual not coming

Monday Sept 4

Broken clouds and fog this afternoon the  
Inuit returned from Saunders Island one woman  
taken my hand is improving several natives are  
getting their Igloos ready for winter use  
one man is building a new one

Tuesday September 5<sup>th</sup> 1916

Pleasant we are now preparing to leave here for Etah to remain in the Danish Doctor Honey Mr Small and myself will remain there Mr Ekblaw will go up with us but return in the Danish we still hope a steamer will <sup>Come</sup> there is more food at Etah for us over winter Mr Ekblaw will live in one of the igloos (Egymar of Cape York) and Doctor Hunt will stay at Peter Mr Kummern will occupy the one we have had, with Hendrik

Wednesday Sept 6

we started at 9 am for Etah with all of our baggage which had to be brought across the Point by dog sleds ( $3\frac{1}{4}$  of a mile) we arrived at Neetekelvick at 8 pm where we left <sup>our</sup> Egymar (Perry man) and took on Koolooringwan then turned on to Herbert Island where we stayed a few minutes and left a few broads weather overcast with moderate winds no ice to bother us though we had to work around in it

Thursday Sept 7

After leaving Narkash (Herbert Island) had but little ice wind moderate and variable with snow generally some times quite thick we arrived at Etah at 1 pm quite a surprise to me McMillian thick snow storm this afternoon no wind I am still in hope of a sail coming to take us home

Friday September 8 1916

Pleasant the launch has been laid  
ashore and put in better order by sheathing  
with metal this was done by Mr. Small  
at night the launch has started on her  
return trip Mr. Cleblow who came up with  
us returned in her he forgot his rifle  
and the launch had to return for it

Saturday Sept. 9

Overcast moderate weather the natives  
here are preparing to on a Deer hunting  
trip north of here the land is now  
covered thinly with snow

Sunday Sept. 10

Overcast moderate breeze this place Etah is  
a most excellent Harbor and while there is much  
Ice at North Star Bay with many large there is no ice  
and but few bergs to be seen from here why there  
is more ice in some places than in others is to  
be accounted for the fact that there is more  
fresh water coming in and as the floats above the  
salt water is more quickly frozen

Monday September 11 1916

Very pleasant with moderate variable winds  
most of the natives here have gone off Deer hunting  
we are gradually losing faith in a deer  
coming here this year but for all that we  
feel safe and comfortable here with no  
anxiety as to the coming winter

there are four of us and each one has a  
room Mr Small is the Cook and I  
help by getting the water and sweeping out the  
room there are many books here to  
read but just now would like more <sup>Clothing</sup>

Tuesday Sept 12

Overcast strong winds from Eastward the weather  
is now becoming cold between 20° and 15°  
but no ice forming in the Harbor but a little  
at high water mark we get water for the House  
by going up the hill side to a stream but the  
brook becomes lost in the boulders as it comes  
down have to break through the ice & get it  
have been melting lately

Wednesday Sept 13

Windy with fresh breeze from the Eastward put the  
large dogy (boat) ashore for the winter there  
are no good boulders here to haul boat out  
as though shallow water extends out a little  
ways from the shore

Thursday September 14 1916  
 Generally pleasant Mr McMillian got  
 eleven duck and Mr Small got one  
 bear in hunting to day I have been  
 doing light jobs in repairing and patching  
 up around the Haare for the winter  
 the woman who is employed here about  
 the Haare is known a Wile well and  
 is the daughter of Hans Hendrick a man  
 well known having been with Portlock  
 Doctor Hayes and also in the Polar  
 and drifted south on the Ice with his family  
 when Inuit far and Hannah were with Capt  
 Peary was saved south on the Ice with  
 a part of the Polar's crew from up here  
 he (Hans Hendrick) was a south Greenland  
 native and this woman was born there  
 but a few years ago come up here to live

Friday Sept 15  
 Moderate overcast Mr Small with two  
 natives have gone to Settlement Island  
 on a hunting trip have been putting  
 in double windows  
 to day is Doctor Honey's Berith Day he is  
 54 years old

Saturday September 16 1916

Moderate weather but overcast continue making repair about the House in the absence of Mr Small the regular Cook the native woman attends to the Cooking she has 3 children

Sunday Sept 17

Generally overcast with fresh breeze N.E.  
we make it a rule to do no unnecessary work on Sunday a record of temperature is kept every 4 hours except at 4 a.m.  
had my hair cut

Monday Sept 18

Pleasant at first then becoming overcast and at night raining Mr Small returned with the two natives they got a few ducks and a few seals walrus were numerous and much ice around Peltleton Island

Tuesday Sept 19

Partly overcast young ice forming in the Harbor one of the natives had 10 ducks when he seen drifting down by the entrance of the Harbor

Wednesday Sept 20

Fresh winds from East it is quite a task to keep all the water tanks full as the walking is bad up the side of the hill though the stream is frozen over can get water by cutting through the ice

Thursday September 21 1916

Generally overcast with some snow moderate breeze, East it is about impossible to tell the real direction of the wind as it blows out of the Fjord down off the Ice cap Continue fixing up the House and get the water the Harbor is now all clear of Ice

Friday Sept 22

Pleasant with moderate winds about North or N E one of the women here offered to make me a pair of Rabbit skin stockings but wished some dog biscuit for pay I asked Mr. McMillian for a box of this kind of bread as there is a large amount of it and some going to waste but declined to let me have it

Saturday Sept 23

Partly cloudy two ducks were shot close to the House now the House now quite in condition for the winter getting colder

Sunday Sept 24

Pleasant though fresh breeze the natives have good success in catching fox and Rabbits the fox are mostly blue Mr. McMillian took both Doctor Harry Picture and mine

Monday Sept 25

Overcast snow this pm there has been much ill feeling by the Kammunaen People because of the Expedition trading for fox skin and after all what they have done for Mr. Doctor Harry continue to trade for all he can get so far the women have taken about 12 foxes

Tuesday September 26 1916

A strong day wind south snowing most of the time quite a little loose Ice has drifted into the Bay this is what we would like for melting on it is fresh water Ice most of it

Wednesday Sept 27

Dull weather but moderate there are 8 boxes of Fox skins (dog biscuit boxes) full which Mr McMillian has turned over to Doctor Honey's charge we placed them up on a raised platform weighed them with stone Doctor Honey says he will continue to track for all he can get for the benefit of the museum this seems strange to me after so much trouble has been caused by Mr McMillian having tracked for them in the passed

This has been a successfull day in hunting 1 seal and 10 duck while one of the natives got a seal and Mr McMillian brought back from Bettleson Island quite a number of Sider Duck eggs stowed away last summer

Thursday Sept 28

Dull weather with some snow Mr Knoll got two seal and a Native boy got one brought in an iron tank to hold the ice and water filled it with ice as there is plenty snow drifted up on the shore made several large pieces fast to the shore with wire

Friday September 29 1916

Dull weather with light winds Doctor Honey still holds to the idea that he will go south in the spring to hunt Greenland no success in hunting to day

Saturday Sept 30

Overscast but moderate light weather 3 seal were taken two of them by the natives weather is quite warm temp 29° at noon

Sunday October 1 1916

A stormy day damp snow falling Mr McMillian gave me a warm suit of under wear and an over shirt of his

I have the Rheumatism in my right knee where it has been wrenched in ice crack year ago it makes me limp in walking

Monday Oct 2

Moderate weather a walrus was taken on the ice in the Harbor I went out in the small boat and ~~helped~~ to tow it in to the landing we cut it up and then brought it in it was hard work getting it off the steep bank snowing at night

Tuesday October 3 1916

Stormy but clearing at night the Harbor is well covered with ice my knee is quite troublesome and makes walking difficult when I first start to walk

Wednesday Oct 4

Pleasant but is now getting colder much of the heavy ice has been blown out of the Harbor and young ice is forming my rheumatism is perhaps a little better

Thursday Oct 5

Winter now seems to have set in the sun is getting quite low the temperature at noon was 6° I have been writing this journal copying my other found in to this and have just caught up to night have done this so as to have this trip all in one book

Friday Oct 6

Clear weather young ice is making over the Harbor though there is a strong breeze from N E have been over hauling boxes to find some entertainment for Doctor Harvey tank 8 am 5° 8 am 10

Saturday October 7 1916

Overcast part of the time the Harbor is completely covered over with young ice Doctor Harry is now having the yek out box to find an instrument he can set up which will record the vibrations that may take place in the earth surface there is such an instrument here but it has never been set up. Temp 8 am 10 + 8 pm 18 +

Sunday Oct, 8

Overcast and snowing at night very little wind our sugar and Melanis has been given now for some time there is some hard bread left but not much but there is plenty of dog biscuit it is composed of horse meat and coarse flour but there is plenty of other foods and we live very well temp 8 am 8 + temp 8 pm 11 +

Monday Oct 9

Overcast about 6 inches of snow fell last night the natives (one old man and a boy) got 6 rabbits yesterday and are fox every thing goes on very nicely my Rheumatism is better but I still walk a little lame temp 8 am 19 + 8 pm 13 +

Tuesday October 10 1916

Generally pleasant moderate wind the  
Natives now are able to walk on the ice safely  
it is surprising how a little subject  
will start an argument and often with  
out giving a man a chance to explain his  
views properly some one else will start  
in and all remain unconvinced last  
good natural tank 8 am 7 + 8 pm 7 +

Wednesday Oct 11

Overcast with moderate breeze have done  
about all that can be done to make the house  
comfortable the other play cards about an  
hour each evening there is a very large number  
of books which adds very much to our comfort  
temp 8 am 1 - 8 pm 3 +

Thursday Oct 12

Overcast and snowing at night no  
wind to speak of we now have dog  
biscuit on the table they do not taste bad  
but are hard on account of the beans  
as it is were meat and beans mixed  
with flour the coffee has been gone  
after some time temp 8 am 6 + 8 pm 9 +

Mr Small is asking the question  
what would happen if all springs of water  
were stopped up all over the world

Friday      October      13      1916

Overscast      no wind      have been fixing  
up my room and papering it, for paper  
have been using large days or blotting  
paper it will take a day or two more to  
finish it Mr McMillian Neemer willing to  
help along in any way one of the  
agreement to day was whether a bottle of  
fresh water hung down deep in through the  
ice would freeze the temp of the salt  
water being  $27^{\circ} 5^{\circ}$  + (it did not freeze)  
temp 8 a.m. 15°      8 p.m. 16°

Saturday      Oct      14

Partly overscast but generally pleasant  
have been fixing up my room so that  
it is going to leak and be quite comfortable  
temp 8 a.m. 14 + 8 p.m. 13 +

Sunday      Oct      15°

Strong winds but generally pleasant  
we have a graphophone from which  
we derive much pleasure as there  
is quite a large collection of records  
no doubt but the people at home  
are wondering why we do not arrive  
and we are wondering what efforts  
have been made for our return  
and also we wonder how the  
Cluett made out after leaving

Thickness of Harbor Ice 9 inches  
Temp 8 a.m. 8 + 8 p.m. 2 +

Parker  
Snow  
Buy

Monday

October

16 1916

strong winds East blowing the surface snow  
am getting my room fixed up very nicely  
and the young natives are drawing pictures  
of native life there I put up around the  
room Temp 8 am -2° 8 pm -4°  
My Rheumatism still troubles me in one knee

Tuesday

Oct

17

strong winds from the N E we do not  
have but little trouble to get any ice  
for melting, we quite a large amount  
of glacial ice came in on the shore before  
freezing over the Harbor

temp 8 am -2° 8 pm -6°

Wednesday

Oct

18

overcast with fresh winds from East  
have my room very nicely fixed up  
we still have three meals a day  
and all goes on very pleasant though  
there is often some very absurd  
arguments no subject to great and also  
none so small our two extreemest  
are Doctor Harvey on one side and  
our cook Mr. Howell, both language  
is far from the best but strong  
temp at 8 am 1° 8 pm 1°+

Thursday October 19. 1916  
 overcast with easterly wind  
 the natives get quite a number  
 of foxes in traps most of them  
 are blue ones, these Doctor Harvey  
 trader for, he says for the museum  
 temp 8 am -4° 8 pm -2°

Friday Oct 20  
 Pleasant sleds are used now  
 when the natives go to their traps  
 the crows get into the traps & have  
 already been taken that way it is  
 surprising to me the number of  
 foxes and rabbits which are taken  
 of course the rabbits are hunted with  
 guns they weigh about 7 lbs  
 temp 8 am -1° 8 pm 6°

Saturday Oct 21  
 Dull with a little snow falling  
 my rheumatism is better but I still  
 limp a little there is always some  
 small work to do to day have  
 made an ice shield a soap and  
 a rod to measure the ice with  
 these are so that I can take the  
 thickness of the Harbor ice each Sunday  
 temp 3° at 8 am at 8 pm 5°

Sunday October 22 1916

Variable but later very pleasant

The natives returned from their Deer hunting trip they have taken 45 in all also two Bear also about 10 Salmon trout (they took more salmon but this is the number they brought in to us) they brought in three saddles of Deer meat cured here at about 6 pm

temp 8 am 0° 8 pm -4°

Thickness of Harbor ice 13 inches

Monday Oct 23

Generally pleasant we do not see the sun now and it will be four months before we see it again now our good weather or times for work will be when we have full moon we have to use a lantern to read the thermometer at 8 am and at 4 pm

temp 8 am -1° 8 pm 3+

Tuesday Oct 24

Pleasant moderate to fresh breeze it is some what more pleasant now the natives are here adding more life to the place

temp at 8 am 0° 8 pm 0°

Wednesday October 25 1916  
 Very pleasant, we all went up to the head of the Bay to the glacier there is a large lake between Bay and the Glacier Mr, McMillian placed a line of Iron stakes in line across the glacier this is done in order that any one in the future may see how fast the glacier moves while this was being done I stayed on the lake with most of the natives and fished four of good size were taken and two small ones the natives also got 4 rabbits and one porcupine got back at 4 pm 8 sleds in all the thickness of the lake ice was 23 and 1/2 inches temp 8 am 1+ 8 pm -3.

Thursday Oct 26

Very pleasant with fresh breeze from N.E. mending clothes and trying to keep everything in order of course my clothes are getting well worn out but will get along temp 8 am -1 8 pm 0

Friday Oct 27

Very pleasant light breeze Mr, McMillian and the Doctor went up to the glacier to work on the line staked across temp 8 am 0 8 pm 1+

Several  
natives  
left

Saturday October 28, 1946  
light weather but overcast the natives  
got one seal and several rabbits to  
day, yesterday they got several fish  
up at the lake (Salmon trout)  
to day I built a small snow  
house which seemed to please the natives  
temp at 8 am 6 + 8 pm 8 +

Sunday Oct 29  
overcast with light winds and snow  
much has been said by the various  
members of the Cracker land party on to  
his selfishness and inability to handle  
men but so far as I can see he is  
not a lazy man to my mind as this  
was the first trip any of them had  
made they all thought they could run  
things much better if they only had charge  
Thickness of ice in Harbor 14 $\frac{1}{2}$  inches  
temp 8 am 4 + 8 pm 5 +

Monday Oct 30  
overcast but clearing at night  
the natives here took many walrus  
last summer and so have plenty  
of meat in caches along the shore  
to day they went off and got loads of  
meat temp at 8 am 7 + 8 pm 8 +

Tuesday October 31 1866  
generally pleasant light southerly  
wind the natives got 13 rabbits  
and two Salmon trout

Temp 8 am 2+ 8 pm 9+

Wednesday November 1

Overcast light weather begining to  
maw at night Mr. MacMillin finished  
up his work of placing stakes across  
the Glacier and built houses at each  
end on the land about every day the  
natives got Rabbits and foxes to day and back

Temp 8 am 12+ 8 pm 13+

Thursday Nov 2

Overcast moderate weather wind  
west I have built a small house  
for a family of natives this summer  
to please them and give me practice  
all the others want me to do the same  
for them, Temp 8 am 17 Temp 8 pm 14  
one of the women here (Inuitas) is  
probably the largest woman here  
her bust measure is 44 inches  
garment off I have my knee  
so that it is quite painful

Doctor Harvey has put several of the  
salmon in alcohol for preservation

Friday November 3 1916  
Overcast with snow falling all day  
moderate breeze from NW I have  
been making envelopes as we have  
none made yet for Doctor Hovey before  
long shall have to begin writing letters  
& send out this winter  
temp 8 am 17 + 8 pm 17 +

Saturday Nov 4  
Overcast but otherwise good weather  
there is always little thing to be  
done so that there is no need of  
being idle there are many books  
here which is a great pleasure  
and though we should all be  
home and thereby stop the anxiety  
about us still I can not say  
that we are in any way uncomfortable  
the only thing we are short of is  
sugar and molasses these are  
gone a little being saved for  
Christmas) temp 8 am 15 + 8 pm 10 +

Sunday Nov 5  
Pleasant though fresh breeze  
whenever the natives have cold or sickness  
they come to me a native (Meyer) <sup>and son</sup> arrived  
8 day from the north temp 8 am 10 + 8 pm 14

Monday November 6 1816

Clear weather though fresh breeze from N.E. have made some & very buttons or toggler such as used by the natives of Hudson Bay they are used in the ends of a strap which prevents the child from slipping out and down of the Mother Coat and also allows her to breath freely; it is an improvement on what they use here and there too women seem well pleased with the new idea (to them) on one set I carried a seal and moosehole and on the other little buck flying and at rest temp 8 am 9 - 8 pm 8

Tuesday Nov 7

Overcast light weather some snow falling very little day light now the moon shows through the clouds and all the children are out playing on the ice though a light snow is falling they take as much comfort as our children do at home the conversation this evening has been mostly on & who has been elected President of the United States temp 8 am 2 + 8 pm 3 +

Wednesday November 8 1966  
Overcast with light snow falling  
at night clearing but wind rising  
and creating blinding drifts  
we shall soon have to get our letters  
ready to send south  
temp 8 am 10 + 8 pm 25 +

Thursday Nov 9  
Generally overcast a large amount  
of snow has fallen it is said to  
be the greatest amount of any one  
time in the 4 winters stated at noon  
had some difficulty in going out to  
read the thermometer at 8 am  
temp 8 am 26 + 8 pm 26 +

Friday Nov 10  
Overcast with light winds  
As the sleds are expecting to start  
about the 20<sup>th</sup> of this month I shall  
have to begin writing letters home  
where if all goes well will reach  
there about the middle next fence  
temp 8 am 23 + 8 pm 19

Saturday November 11 1866  
Overcast with fresh wind and snow  
part of the time all are busy  
now writing Home

Temp 8 am 8 + 8 pm 2

Sunday Nov 12

Pleasant weather but there is so  
much snow on the ice that traveling  
is very hard thickness of ice 21  $\frac{1}{2}$   
inches Temp 8 am 4 + 8 pm 3 +

Monday Nov 13

Pleasant the natives who came the  
other day returned to the north and  
three sleds also returned with him  
they have gone up to get things that  
they had left while Deer Hunting  
Temp 8 am 2 + 8 pm 1 +

Tuesday Nov 14

Pleasant with moderate breeze banked  
up one side of the house the sleds  
returned from the north bringing Deer  
skins and meat

Temp 8 am 1 - 8 pm 0°

Wednesday November 15 1866

Pleasant, Natives are now getting ready for the sled trip to North star Bay I went around out over a little at what would be called the middle of the day in there is but little light and now am writing to friends at home

temp 8 am 3° 8 pm -10°

Thursday Nov 16

Pleasant the natives went off and got several loads of walrus meat my clothes are getting well worn out and there is little or nothing to patch with temp 8 am -11° 8 pm -15°

Friday Nov 17

Pleasant but strong winds driving the loose snow the house is quite comfortable though the double panes break up quite a little temp 8 am -11° 8 pm -11°

Saturday Nov 18

Strong winds driving the loose snow have helped the natives about building small snow houses these people are not expert snow houses boulders like the central natives temp 8 am -13° 8 pm -12°

Sunday November 19 1866

Generally pleasant though now driven  
by strong winds writing letter to  
Zoull Hove, thickness of ice 22 inches  
temp 8 am -11 8 pm -9

Monday Nov 20

Pleasant but of course to dark  
we get on we have had to use a  
lantern for some time to read the  
thermometer at never a barrel of Park  
was brought over from Provincetown Point  
temp 8 am -8 8 pm -9

Tuesday Nov 21

Clear pleasant but fresh winds  
it is now decided that the mail  
will not go till the 23 instead of  
to morrow temp 8 am -8 8 pm -7

Wednesday Nov 22

Clear and pleasant finished writing  
letter have been written to my wife  
Mr Newcomb Mr Bass Capt Spicer Mr Shedd  
of the museum, Mr F. B. Ford Dr Boas.  
Mr Balin Mr <sup>W.W.</sup> Gater Judge Bowler Mr Battell  
of New Bedford to the Advertiser  
Miss Chaffee Miss Dickerson of museum  
temp 8 am -8 8 pm -8

Thursday November 23 1916  
 Becoming overcast the men got  
 started three sleds for North Star  
 Bay, the natives who are here for  
 fun made an exchange of clothing the  
 men with the women this of course  
 created much mirth among them.  
 then they drummed and sang but the  
 singing consisted of all Cawm and no  
 words Mr McMillan took pictures  
 of them the women dressed as men and  
 the men as women each group separately  
 by flash light, temp 8 am -8 8 pm -11

Friday Nov 24  
 overcast strong wind filling the air  
 with drift snow in the absence of something  
 to talk of manners at the table much  
 pleasure seems to be taken in telling  
 their stories  
 temp 8 am -12 8 pm -11

Saturday Nov 25  
 overcast even the day time  
 is dark especially in this dull  
 weather it seems that none of the  
 women went on the sledgy journeys  
 temp 8 am -12 8 pm -7

Sunday November 26 1916

Pleasant with fresh breeze any work now done out side requires a lantern that is to see good.

the thickness of the ice was 25 1/2 inches  
temp 8 am - 10 8 pm - 11

Monday Nov 27

Pleasant though strong wind the natives come in and enjoy their winter looking over the Pictures in the Books though they have seen them many times there is a splendid Library here so that there is book of all kinds temp 8 am - 10 8 pm - 11

Tuesday Nov 28

Pleasant our Creek Mr. Small is making quite an effort to get up some extra trade for Thanksgiving day which is the 30<sup>th</sup> temp 8 am - 11 8 pm - 10

In order to destroy the vermin in my sleeping bag I followed the custom here of hanging it up out side for a while and then had it given a good beating it was said that when the vermin got cold they lost their grip and would have to drop out after such treatment.

Wednesday November 29 1916

Pleasant moderate wind from north  
the water is not far distant  
the last high tides having broken  
in by the outer Islands 2 to 3 miles  
from the Haie the depth of this  
bay is about 7 miles and the house  
is from 2 to 3 miles in  
temp. 8 am - 14 8 pm - 14

Thursday Nov 30

Snowy with a little light snow  
falling Thanksgiving day with us  
and our people got up a most  
excellent dinner but the house  
became so smoked up with fat  
splattering over the stove that it  
has scared my lungs & throat  
(seemingly) so that I had to move  
out for a time  
temp 8 am - 14 8 pm - 7

Friday December 1 1906  
 overcast with a little snow at night  
 like all thanksgiving at home there  
 is bread enough left over so that  
 extra good living continues for a  
 short time  
 temp 8 am -9 8 pm -3

Saturday Dec 2  
 overcast with a little snow the wind  
 is from the SW, and brings the temperature  
 up to 9+ which seems warm enough  
 temp 8 am 6+ 8 pm 9+

Sunday Dec 3  
 light moderate weather partly  
 overcast the natives brought in  
 from their traps a blue fox  
 the woman who asserts in keeping  
 the house in order is slightly  
 sick and unable to work  
 she has three children the youngest  
 8 months old and the next oldest  
 about 3 years both nursing  
 thirteen of the 29% turkeys  
 temp 8 am 5+ 8 pm 2+

Monday December 4, 1916  
 Dull with light snow it seems  
 to have fallen to me & Doctor the  
 Native in case of cuts or sores  
 Temp 8 am 4 + 8 pm 11 +

Tuesday Dec 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Very pleasant though the  
 snow has drifted a little  
 I have now began walking  
 in the moon light  
 makes it seem quite pleasant  
 Temp 8 am 3 + 8 pm 3 +

Wednesday Dec 6<sup>th</sup>  
 very pleasant with moderate breeze  
 from North and North East  
 to show how little a thing will  
 start up a disturbance our Mr.  
 Small who is very assertive in his  
 statements said that the difference  
 between canned Beef and salt Beef  
 was that canned beef was put in  
 brine while salt Beef put up to  
 keep was packed with dry salt  
 and made its own brine this he made  
 Doctor Harry believe was the case and  
 I kept out of the argument soon

Temp 8 am 2 + 8 pm 3  
 Doctor Harry asked me about something (now)  
 and in a pleasanter way said ask the Cook

Home

Thursday December 4 1916

Very pleasant three sleds came up from the south one of them brought word that the Danish Steamer Denmark arrived at North Star Bay Sept 24 and is now wintering there she has been chartered by the Museum to take the Crocker Land Party to St. John N. F. She has been 7 weeks in the ice unable to reach North Star Bay in time to come up here though it is said she made effort to do so it is said that she has but little coal the sled also brought up some mail for us I had two letters from Home one from my wife and one from Mr. T. S. Newkirk  
 temp 8 am -3 8 pm 8+

Friday Dec 8

Very pleasant two of the sleds returned to day they were two of our sleds who went away with the mail there only going half way or more

we are looking forward to the day when the men will start to return North temp 8 am -8 8 pm -2

Saturday December 9 1916  
 Very pleasant it is now planned  
 by the natives (some of them) to go down  
 to North Star Bay and trade and also  
 see the leviel I am sailing down  
 to the station for some usefull articles  
 such as clothing and things to pay the  
 natives for work which they may do  
 temp 8 am - 8 8 pm - 0

Sunday Dec 10  
 Very pleasant several of the  
 natives started off to go to North  
 Star Bay to see the leviel and  
 trade thickness of the ice 3 1/2 inches  
 temp 8 am - 6 8 pm - 9

Monday Dec 11  
 strong wind with drifting surface  
 snow otherwise clear overhead  
 I am working on Ivory but do not  
 accomplish but little as I take much  
 pleasure caring for a child which is  
 9 month old the mother does work  
 about the house and has two other  
 children and it is quite a help to  
 her this woman height is 4 feet 4 1/4  
 and weighs 96 lbs about 35 years old  
 and has 3 children  
 temp -16 at 8 am 8 pm - 14

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Elah

Tuesday December 12 1916

Pleasant though fresh breeze which  
keeps the snow drifting with all the winds  
we get are off the Glacier

temp 8 am -18 8 pm -21

Wednesday Dec 13

Pleasant at first but becoming overcast  
with strong winds the natives have  
Cortenized & catch Foxes and altogether  
have taken about 100

temp 8 am -18 8 pm -10

Thursday Dec 14

Very stormy a driving snow storm  
nothing can be done out ~~side~~ but  
go back at the thermometer

temp 8 am -10 8 pm -13

Friday Dec 15

a stormy day but moderating at  
night my nights to day is 216

temp 8 am -8 8 pm -2

Saturday Dec 16

weather clearing the days are short  
but the nights are long, still the  
time passes away rapidly

temp 8 am 10+ 8 pm 10+

Sunday December 17 1916  
Overcast with a little snow falling  
moderate breeze from N E  
thickness of Haslava Ice  $35\frac{1}{2}$  inches  
No work is done on Sunday or  
playing cards through week day  
nights the Doctor McMullan and  
pot the Cook play regularly  
Poker temp 8 am 8 + 8 pm 5 +

Monday Dec 18  
Pleasant the days are quite  
dark now as the moon has declined  
taking the temperature and getting  
the Ice are all the actual work  
that has to be done and such  
temp 8 am -5 8 pm -3

Tuesday Dec 19  
Pleasant our cook a Provincetown  
man is not at all clean has never  
been around much but is quite a  
hand to enlarge on what he has done and  
seen he washed his hands and face  
for the first time yesterday since we  
have been here blows his nose with  
his fingers this morning he was spunking  
bed bug powder down his shirt collar  
to kill the lice on his body temp 8 am -0 8 pm -5

Wednesday December 20 1916

Pleasant the two sleds returned from North Star which left here the 24 of last month they brought up some provision such as flour and sugar and other small stores I had a note from Dr Heeck and Mr Eekblaw they are still at the river but expect to start south and go out on the first steamer in the spring for Danmark  
temp 8 am -4 8 pm -8

Thursday Dec 21

Pleasant among the things that were sent up, was some Chocolate and cigars Mr. McMillian gave me a cake of the Chocolate and two dozen cigars temp 8 am -13 8 pm -19

Friday Dec 22

Pleasant to day the sun starts to return and this to us is quite an item as we can think that the days will become lighter instead of darker

temp 8 am 24 8 pm -26

Saturday December 23 1916

Pleasant fresh breeze which keeps  
the air quite full of dust now  
there is hardly any tem. but what  
there is a strong breeze my regular  
routine is get up before eight  
sweep up the room and get the  
temperature at 8 am the thermometer  
is kept about 50 feet away from  
the house we have breakfast  
at 9 and supper at 3:30 pm  
then there is a lunch if wanted  
at night or evening during the  
day time I work on Ivory and  
get the temp at noon 4 pm and  
8 pm then Mr McMullen get it  
at midnight Saturday I help the  
woman to work the floor  
temp 8 am -24 8 pm -31

Sunday Dec 24

Pleasant so far the coldest day  
and also the we can count it as  
our darkest Sunday this to me is  
something or each Sunday I have to  
sweep through the ice and measure  
its thickness after this it will be more  
light now I have 8 area counters  
1st 38 inches temp 8 am -33 8 pm -31

Monday December 23 1866  
 Pleasant at breakfast Doctor Harry presented each of us with a \$1.50 gold piece we had a most excellent dinner and a package of chocolate was given to each by Mr. McMillian  
 this evening Mr. McMillian gave me half a dozen pieces of jewelry to use as trade  
 this evening various kinds of games are being carried on in the living room temp 8 am - 31 8 pm - 30

Tuesday Dec 24  
 Overcast with a light snow  
 temp 8 am - 24 8 pm - 22

Wednesday Dec 25  
 Pleasant there is no work or traveling with sleds at present but when the moon light comes then the visiting and walk goes on  
 temp 8 am - 27 8 pm - 27

Thursday December 28 1916

Pleasant Mr McMillan is having a pair of deer skin pants made for me as I left the pair that I had on the chumett to be sent home in my chest

my under clothing is very thin as it has been in constant use since leaving home

temp 8 am - 25 8 pm - 29

Friday Dec 29

Pleasant the moon has now returned so that we shall have a little light and then when that is gone again there will be some light reflected from the sun

The house is rather cold and the air we breath is very bad so much so that the lights will not burn good at times then there is much smoke from the stove and burning greese this affects my breathing and seems to contract my lungs

temp 8 am - 30 8 pm - 24

Saturday December 30 1916  
 Pleasant the smoke and bad  
 air in the house is too much  
 for my lungs and has made  
 me feel quite sick to day  
 have had to take out one of  
 the double windows in my room  
 the outer one being broken lets  
 in some fresh air

temp 8 am - 14 8 pm - 15

Sunday Dec 31

Pleasant to day there has been  
 but little smoke and foul air  
 in the house so that I have felt  
 quite well the bear skins which  
 have been traded for are being  
 divided that is all are kept  
 that are wanted and the rejects  
 are to be sent down to the  
 station this will be but little  
 and no doubt will be disappointing  
~~to them~~ there is an unpleasant  
 feeling towards the expedition  
 held by the parish people  
 who have lost much money  
 in trade by its going to the expedition

temp 8 am - 14 8 pm - 17

thickness of ice 40 and the water

Dec 1916  
 Good boy  
 Home  
 Pleasant  
 Home  
 Success

Monday January 1 1914

Pleasant generally good feeling among us all as we are looking forward to our return Home this coming summer now that we have the moon to make the weather seem more pleasant

Temp. 8 am - 18 + 8 pm - 19

Tuesday Jan 2

Pleasant most of the natives who went to North Star Bay leaving here the 10<sup>th</sup> of last month returned last night Captain Hansen and Peter sent up New year greetings to us

Temp 8 am - 12 + 8 pm - 14

It is reported that Mr Ekblaw and Doctor Hunt got away for South Greenland and Home

Mr Rasmussen went with them also the two Eginward natives that was the 18 of December

Wednesday January 3 1867  
 Pleasant several sleds have  
 gone south two are to go on to  
 North star Bay taking a few fox  
 skins (less than 50) to be turned  
 over to the trading station there  
 they will bring back some of  
 the provision which is on the  
 vessel for our party  
 sent a note to Mr Morton P.  
 Porciel & <sup>of</sup> ~~of~~ thanking him for a  
 book which he has published on  
 Esquimo Culture of west Greenland  
 temp 8 am 17 8 pm - 20

Thursday Jan 4  
 Pleasant the weather here  
 even at this time of year  
 and darkness catch Rabbits in  
 snares last night 3 were taken  
 temp 8 am - 11 8 pm - 9

Friday Jan 5  
 Pleasant my time is mostly  
 spent working Ivory carvings  
 temp - 15 at 8 am 8 pm - 18

Saturday Jan 6 1917  
Overcast but otherwise pleasant  
time is passing very quickly  
temp 8 am 17 8 pm - 14

Sunday Jan 7  
Becoming overcast with a little snow  
Calm weather  
thickness of 1 45 inches  
temp 8 am - 16 8 pm - 9

Monday Jan 8  
Pleasant the natives say there  
was an Eclipse of the moon this  
morning at about 2 am  
this we would not have known  
had they not seen it  
we still have a few frozen  
Duck Eggs which were collected  
last season  
temp 8 am - 13 8 pm - 4

Tuesday Jan 9  
Pleasant fair regular  
Routine is breakfast at 8 am  
lupper at 3 pm and tea at  
8 pm if wanted but no table  
set I take the thermometer except  
at midnight temp 8 am - 16 8 pm - 11

Wednesday January 10 1867  
 Generally pleasant moderate weather  
 temp 8 am 6 8 pm - 3

Thursday Jan 11

Received six sleds same as  
 from the northward one of them  
 brought up the goods Part  
 which I had written to the station  
 for the bill amounted \$10.00  
 which of course is a very extravagant  
 price two sealskins at \$5.00 each  
 but I needed them

temp 8 am 0° 8 pm 0°

Mr Ekblaw and Dr Hunt got away  
 on the 18 of Dec and the station  
 agent was intending to leave the  
 15 of this month also to go to south  
 Greenland it is reported that  
 there was a steamer bound up  
 the coast last summer and there  
 was also a sailing vessel seen  
 going north in October off Upernivik  
 the steamer was reported to have  
 told the natives she was bound to  
 Cape York have not felt very  
 well to day (a kroen is about 27 cts)  
 (as to my bill from the station it was  
 20 Kroen and not \$10.00 but \$5.00<sup>50</sup>)

Friday January 1<sup>st</sup> 1867  
Pleasant though fresh breeze  
from East am feeling a little  
better & day the fresh air and  
smoke is so much for me  
temp 8 am - 6 8 pm - 16

Saturday Jan 13

Pleasant but strong Easterly winds  
we can see that the day tems are  
getting lighter a <sup>boy</sup> child was born  
here & day the mother is  
asympt ~~listea~~ (Peary's son)

I was called in as Doctor all  
doing well especially the Father  
temp 8 am - 8 8 pm 0°

Sunday Jan 14

At first generally pleasant  
but becoming overcast and raining  
at night the mother and child  
doing well, <sup>4<sup>th</sup> m</sup> washing clothes & day  
my overshirts are so well  
worn out that it is difficult  
to put them on or off without  
tearing them

temp 8 am 21 + 8 pm 13 +  
Thickness of Ice 48 inches

Monday fairway 15 1817  
 Partly cloudy a little snow  
 the woman who had a child born  
 the 13<sup>th</sup> brought it in to the house  
 to day to show it us.  
 it has seemed uncomfortable warm  
 to me to day  
 temp 8 am 14 8 pm 2+

Tuesday fair 16  
 Generally pleasant though strong  
 wind and drifting snow though for  
 this country not bad weather  
 Some of the natives are getting  
 ready to go on a trip hunting  
 towards North Star Bay  
 temp 8 am -2 8 pm 8

Wednesday fair 17  
 Pleasant though strong wind from  
 North I am now at work on a  
 carriage board using a walrus  
 tusk the natives make some  
 Ivory carvings for me  
 temp 8 am 6- 8 pm 17  
 The Native young man who is  
 employed here (Perry son Saamys) <sup>has adopted one</sup>  
 brought up a woman as his wife <sup>more to our family</sup>

Thursday January 18 1817

A stormy day wind N.E and strong  
with snow there is a race ~~independent~~  
among the natives (some of them)  
this I think is due to there not  
having been employed by different  
white People, It has been generally  
understood that all of Greenland  
belonged to Denmark but this is  
not till lately our last mail tell  
us that Denmark has now claimed  
it all

temp 8 am -18 8 pm -18

Friday Jan 19

Generally pleasant though  
fresh breeze the natives are  
very soon for a work shop  
as I work making carvings  
and that causes to make them  
willing to make things  
temp 8 am -13 8 pm 11

Saturday Jan 20

overcast moderate breeze  
the natives catch a few Rabbits  
in traps  
temp 8 am -11 8 pm -3

## Etah

Sunday January 21 1817  
 Variable clear at times and  
 also cloudy with snow during  
 middle of day, strong breeze  
 about all the wind we get all  
 from off the land (Glaciers)  
 temp 8 am - 8 pm - 4  
 thickness of ice 50 inches

Monday Jan 22  
 generally pleasant the light is  
 increasing but it will be some  
 time yet before we can read  
 the thermometer at noon with  
 out a lantern  
 temp at 8 am - 8 pm 3 +

Tuesday Jan 23  
 Moderate snow storm from the  
 west  
 temp 8 am 11 + 8 pm 9 +

Wednesday Jan 24  
 generally stormy this warm  
 weather has caused the ice which  
 has formed under the papering to  
 melt and made it uncomfortable by  
 dripping also uncomfortable for sleeping  
 temp 8 am 2 + 8 pm - 2

Thursday January 25 1817  
Cloudy weather fresh breeze at  
times rebuilt our new house  
from what I have seen of these  
natives they are very poor at building  
new houses and I believe I can  
build a better new house than  
they can that is much cheaper  
temp 5+ 8am at 8pm 8+

Friday fair 16  
overcast fresh breeze clearing at  
night the open water is at the  
entrance to the harbor and when  
there is any breeze blowing on  
(out there) are hear the waves  
lapping on the ice  
temp 8am 8+ temp 8pm 5+

Saturday fair 27  
Please ask the ice has broken in  
quite a little at the entrance of  
the harbor the natives in order  
to get walrus meat which they have  
to the northward in caskets have to  
go over the glacier one native  
got a rabbit to day with his gun  
the snows how light it is getting  
temp 8am 14+ 8pm 12+

Sunday January 28 1917  
 overcast here few part of the time  
 have made new calendar for next  
 month. three rabbits were shot to day  
 temp 8 am 11° + 8 pm 20° +  
 the natives report seeing wolf tracks  
 thickness of sea ice 5 1/2 inches

Monday fair 29  
 overcast but other wise pleasant  
 now that we are in the far north I  
 find reading the voyage of the Polaris  
 especially interesting as it was in  
 these latitudes that they had their  
 troubles temp at 8 am 15° + 8 pm 10° +

Tuesday fair 30  
 generally pleasant with strong breeze  
 from N & though it is uncertain here  
 at the house as to the true direction  
 of the wind so that the weather  
 report will in this respect have  
 no value temp 8 am 8° 8 pm 5°

Wednesday fair 31  
 temp 8 am 5° pm 8°  
 Pleasant though strong breeze  
 from North now drifting the sky shows  
 a sunny here this afternoon the natives  
 are unable to go north as shore ice is gone

Thursday February 1 1917

Very pleasant with moderate breeze from North there are a number of natives here who wish to go to the south hunting and visiting and are anxious to have very cold weather so that the ice will form again along the shore of the coast

temp 8 am 1° 8 pm -3°

Friday Feb 2

Very pleasant moderate breeze from north the natives go off hunting rabbit with some success a wolf was seen  
temp 8 am 0° 8 pm 0°

Saturday Feb 3

Very pleasant fresh breeze N E  
the snow was taken away from the front windows which lets in more light but they frost up quite thick so that it is not altogether for the best I still keep my windows covered with a bank of snow  
temp 8 am -4° 8 pm -6°

The expedition is well fitted out with many books so that a person has a good opportunity to study and become better acquainted with writers

and his subjects

Sunday February 4 1867

Pleasant though very strong wind from East the Ice is breaking quite well into the Harbor entrance the natives are very anxious to go to the mouth and it looks as though they would have to take to the Ice Cap thickness of Ice 5<sup>th</sup> inches  
temp 8 am -10 8 pm -3

Monday Feb 5

Pleasant but becoming overcast moderate breeze N E some seals have gone off after walrus meat hard to go over the Ice Cap the Ice keeps breaking quite well in to the Harbor natives say this has not happened before in their memory in decades much open water to cause a rough sea  
temp 8 am -8 8 pm 1°

To day I was able to read the Thermometer with out the aid of the lantern though I took one this was at noon reading

Tuesday February 6 1917  
Generally pleasant the sleds returned  
with their loads of walrus meat  
which they have stored this side  
of Cape Alexander last summer  
other people took about 60 walrus  
so there is plenty to eat but  
of course they get tired of it as  
a steady diet  
temp 8 am -1 8 pm -11

Wednesday Feb 7  
Pleasant though strong breeze small  
snow being blown down the sides  
back of the house one of them come  
through the double windows the snow  
being quite deep there  
this cold spell is pleasing to  
the natives who wish to go  
south  
temp 8 am -14 8 pm -18

Thursday Feb 8  
Pleasant but strong winds N.E.  
the ice continues to break at the  
outer edge of the Harbor the water  
shows well in by the Islands  
which former Haiger winter  
quarters temp 8 am -18 8 pm -17

Friday February 9 1867

Pleasant a number of the natives (3 sleds) started south first going up the head of the Bay in order to get up on to the ice cap have made a lamp chimney out of a bottle temp 8 am - 14 8 pm - 12

Saturday Feb 10

Becoming overcast with a little snow falling light wind west a seal was shot by one of the natives (Oudie) he then came to the house and got a kick took that out and got the seal three rabbits were taken also where there is so little land free from ice it seems strange there should be so many rabbits and foxes

temp 8 am - 4 8 pm 3+

Sunday Feb 11

Stormy wind strong from N.E. causing a heavy drift one of the jobs I have is to keep the ice supply good and often hence the natives help me Doctor Harvey developing all his plates (Photographic) except much ice thickness of Harbor ice 34 pounds temp 8 am 15° " 8 pm - 17

Monday

February 12 1817

Clear weather but strong winds N.E.  
causing a blinding drift at times  
temp 8 am - 14 8 pm - 11

Tuesday

Feb 13

Pleasant though overcast the  
natives got 4 seal in the outer part  
of the Harbor which is clear of ice  
the days are now quite light, one  
of the women who was out some time  
ago got her feet so cold as to be numb  
I let her put them on my bare  
stomach and thaw them out this  
is native style

temp 8 am - 4 8 pm - 4

Wednesday

Feb

14

Generally pleasant the water is again  
being covered with young ice which  
it is hoped will form strong enough  
so that the natives can travel along the  
shore

temp 8 am - 11

8 pm - 12

Thursday February 15<sup>th</sup> 1867  
 Clear weather but strong wind  
 most of the time from N.E.  
 one of the natives Danek has  
 has gone up to Norwalk perhaps  
 about 30 miles north of here to get  
 seal Doctor Hooley is showing  
 a city transfer ticket the Cook  
 asked him for it for a moment  
 to show the natives how it was  
 used in New York in traveling  
 the Cook in explaining its way  
 of use tore off part of it  
 this provoked the Doctor and  
 brought to the surface plainly  
 one of his characteristic (peevish)  
 temp 8 am - 17 8 pm - 62

Friday Feb 16  
 Generally pleasant though varied  
 the natives got 5 rabbits  
 all the water about the stone frog  
 over <sup>last night</sup> and still it does not seem  
 uncomfortable.

temp 8 am - 17 8 pm 17  
 the young ice which formed over  
 the outer part of the Harbor  
 has gone out

Saturday February 17 1917  
 Pleasant with moderate breeze from  
 north two sleds which went ~~esterday~~  
 to Cape Alexander to get walrus  
 meat returned to day they went  
 and came by the evening. The  
 sun is supposed now to be  
 a bare the horizon but it will  
 be several days before we can see  
 it on account of the land to the  
 south of us. temp at 8 am -11 8 pm -12

Sunday Feb 18  
 Strong wind and becoming overcast  
 no walk done Sunday but of  
 course the natives go ahead as they  
 have no Sunday no pretense of  
 religion but get along peacefully  
 and have very little trouble, at  
 least that the white man can  
 see. thickness of sea ice  $5\frac{1}{2}$ <sup>inches</sup>  
 temp 8 am -11 8 pm -14

Monday Feb 19  
 strong wind with snow clearing at  
 night when the natives have any cuts  
 or ailments they come to me to day. I  
 have done up three cut fingers and one  
 yesterday temp 8 am -8 8 pm -5

Tuesday February 20 1917  
 Generally pleasant though strong winds. The Harbor Ice is breaking in more. The young Ice makes and goes out. was able to read the thermometer at 9 pm with out the aid of a lantern temp at 8 am -5 8 pm 1°  
 my weight is now 267 lbs

Wednesday Feb 21  
 Overcast with strong breeze from East the Ice in the Harbor is still breaking off took two snap shot pictures of the Harbor showing the water well in, from in front of the house  
 temp 8 am 1° 8 pm -1

Thursday Feb 22  
 Snow storm all day wind fresh from SW about all the natives who are here intend to go to the southward walrus hunting as soon as the weather permits  
 temp 8 am 3° 8 pm 10°

Friday February 23 1817

hawing lightly all day wind N.W.  
to haecte one of the natives took a  
shot, got a seal by watching at  
a seal hole this man a most  
excellent man war with Doctor Cook  
temp 8 am 4 + 8 pm 0

Saturday Feb 24

Overcast during day but clearing off  
at night the westerly winds brought  
in some young ice this has knit to the  
shore so that the natives think they can  
follow the shore to morrow and go south  
to where they can meet other natives  
and hunt walrus some of them  
will also go to North Star Bay to trade  
and visit temp 8 am 4 8 pm -4

a few days ago one of the natives  
broke a drill which I had let him  
take I think he was afraid to come back  
and tell me but to make peace he  
immediately made a small bear out  
of Ivory and sent to me to day a  
young man broke a file and he  
went out and got a part of walrus  
tusk and gave me they seem to  
want to make some present for the  
damage they have done

Eskate.

Sunday February 25<sup>th</sup> 1917  
 Pleasant weather. The natives started off going by way of the shore ice and ice float as the weather is light and getting calmer no doubt they can continue on with out having to cross over the ice cap at Cape Alexander. I sent a letter to Mr. Rasmussen two of the men will return soon as they have left their wives here (Sammy <sup>Pukyson</sup> and his brother in law).

thickness of ice 58 inches  
 temp 8 am -6 8 pm -11  
 Saw the sun to day for the first time this year

Monday Feb 26  
 Strong winds <sup>last</sup> causing a thick drift  
 saw the sun again, from the house we are not able to see it till between one and two P.M. on account of the hills south of us  
 temp 8 am -12 8 pm -15  
 am now able to read the thermometer at 8 am with out a lantern  
 this is partly because they are in a lattice framed box and of course in the dark

Tuesday February 27 1967  
Pleasant with quite a breeze coming  
some drift snow and his friend  
returned they say the natives are  
still near Cape Alexander and will  
remain there a few days so as to  
feed the dogs as there is plenty  
of walrus meat there cached this  
will fit the dogs up for their trip  
south my lamp chimney is  
a pickle battle with the bottom  
broken out it is cracked in  
to a number of pieces but held  
together by strips of Court Plaster  
temp 8 am -22 8 pm -19

Wednesday Feb 28  
Very pleasant light north wind  
two of the sleds came up from Cape  
Alexander with some dog meat to trade  
then went back as Cape Alexander  
is only 11 miles south of us and they  
have houses this side of the  
temp 8 am -18 8 pm -20  
we are now getting much light  
but still have to use lamp  
during the day in the house  
made the Calander for march  
this I do each month

Thursday March 1 1917  
 strong gale from N.E. causing  
 a heavy drift. Mr MacMillan had  
 intended to have taken a load  
 of stores (to be used on a future  
 trip) to Polaris harbor a short  
 distance north of here and had our  
 breakfast early but to stormy to  
 start out this evening had one  
 of the most interesting talk on  
 various subjects that we have  
 had since we have been here  
 as I was referred to for an opinion  
 I remarked that I labored under  
 the disadvantage of not knowing  
 as much as People seemed to  
 think I did then our cook  
 spoke up and said it was the  
 other way with him as he thought  
 he knew more than people gave  
 him credit for knowing.

temp 8 am - 21 8 pm - 15

Friday March 2  
 Weather improving quite Pleasant  
 two rabbits were shot by the natives  
 the two young men who are here  
 temp 8 am - 18 8 pm - 19  
 am looking interest in raising Ivory

Saturday March 3 1917  
Very pleasant with light N.E winds  
renewed our coal supply by bringing  
about a ton and a half from Provin  
Point (where all stores were landed from  
the vessel) using a dog team and box  
temp 8 am - 21 8 pm - 21

Sunday March 4  
generally pleasant though during the  
middle of the day there was a little  
snow with N.E wind light Harvey  
took a load of Provin up to  
Polaris Harbor (where she was wrecked)  
and returned a 5 pm  
Doctor Harvey prepared the health  
of our new President Mr. Huygen  
as we four are all Republicans  
it was it was drunk with Pheasant  
of course we hope that he was  
elected the liquor was made by  
steaming dried apples etc.  
temp 8 am - 19 8 pm - 15°  
thickness of ice 60 and 70 inches

Monday March 5<sup>th</sup> 1917

Pleasant with moderate N.E wind  
9 sleds arrived from North Star Bay  
bringing up some provision from  
there for Mr. Macmillan a Doctor  
Wolff (Thorild Wolff) he is a  
geologist and botanist and is one  
of the men who is to go with Mr.  
Rasmussen a little later on a trip  
to the northern part of Greenland

I had a letter from Mr. Rasmussen  
and one from Peter Freuchen  
Mr. Rasmussen is now at North Star  
Bay while Mr. Freuchen is on his  
trip to Upernivik  
the Party have been 11 days on  
this journey up here  
this Mr. Wolff is a very interest-  
ing man a native of Sweden  
and speaks English well

temp 8 a.m. -14 8 p.m. -10

the last two<sup>3</sup> days they have had  
to travel over the ice cap as  
the ice along the shore is gone  
from here to about 35 miles south  
of here

Tuesday March 6 1917

Pleasant with moderate breeze  
N.E and East Doctor Wolff and his party  
are now planning to leave to Moscow  
starting on their <sup>return</sup> trip. Mr Rasmussen  
will endeavor to be up here by  
the last of this month to begin the  
Northern trip

Took the snow away from one of  
the windows and then floods the  
room with light but the windows  
will frost up thick

temp 8 am - 13 8 pm - 13

It is now told that the young woman  
that Barney (Peary son) brought up  
on his return from North Star City  
was the wife of another chap who  
happened to be away from home had  
he been home he could not have  
taken the woman or the husband  
is said to be a stronger man

This shows up a custom from  
the main land where in if a man  
is stronger then an other he might  
if he choose take the weaker ones  
wife

now that he has her he seems  
to be dissatisfied with her

Wednesday March 7 1917  
Generally pleasant but becoming  
overcast at night Doctor Wulff  
and his party started on their  
return to North Star Bay  
he felt that he should get  
back as soon as he could as  
they hope to reach here again  
by the first of April on an explanatory  
trip the sleds took down  
with them some provision and  
oil for Doctor Hoarey who intends  
to leave here in about two weeks  
in an endeavor to reach South  
Greenland and then on to Denmark  
and thence home.

it is possible he may not get  
much beyond North Star Bay

Temp 8 am - 12 8 pm - 9  
Mr McMillian sent up two loads  
of stores to Palaris harbor to be  
used on his trip over to the  
western land he also intends  
to leave here the latter part of  
this month

Thursday March 8 1917

Pleasant though hazy the three natives who are here went down near Cape Alexander and brought up loads of walrus meat

no occasion for a light now during the middle of the day in the house my room is quite light temp 8 am -7 8 pm -9

Friday March 9

Strong wind from N.E. and overcast the argument this afternoon was that I thought that an Ice Boat could under certain conditions go at a speed faster than the wind which would be blowing at the time but Doctor Haas said it was not possible the Cook (fat) almost got mad as he thought as I did the Doctor said that he thought and it seemed reasonable to him he said that a vessel would go faster before the wind providing all her sail could be made to draw then in any other direction in moderate breeze temp 8 am -7 8 pm -2

Saturday March 10 1917

Overcast and snowing with moderate breeze from the westward there is a cold dampness about the house which makes it seem colder than in the middle of the winter and then again my cloths are very much worn out

Temp 8 am 0° 8 pm 2°

Sunday March 11

Overcast with moderate breeze from N.W. there natives continue to get rabbits & taken to day

our Eska took a trip off and I act as Eska when he goes ~~away~~  
thicker of ice 61 inches

Temp 8 am -1° 8 pm -6°

Monday March 12

Overcast. part of the time and snowing at night one rabbit taken.

My lamp chimney fell all to pieces it was made from a bottle

am now using a lantern which belongs to one of the natives

Temp 8 am -12° 8 pm -7°

Tuesday March 13 1917

Dull dreather moderate winds NE  
clearing at night Doctor Hovey is  
preparing for his trip southward  
and Mr. McMillan for his trip  
across to Ellesmere land

temp 8 am -12 8 pm -14

Wednesday March 14

Generally pleasant moderate breeze  
NE two sleds have gone to the  
southard to get a couple of natives  
to return here and prepare to  
take Doctor Hovey to North Star  
Bay from there he will have  
other natives take him across  
McLennan Bay he hopes to  
leave here the 20<sup>th</sup> of this  
month the Native Samney is  
not feeling well so could not go  
with the others

temp 8 am -17 8 pm -25

Thursday March 15 1807  
 Strong winds from N.E to East carrying  
 quite a drift of loose snow  
 Mr McMillian gave me a knit blouse  
 as my clothes are not warm and the  
 cold dampness makes cold in the  
 house never worse than a dry cold  
 and as I take the temperature and  
 get the ice I have occasion to be out  
 some and also cut through the ice  
 hundays to measure the thickness  
 temp 8 am - 28 8 pm - 28

This cold spell is looked upon with  
 favor as it will make better traveling  
 by sleds a long the shore and not  
 compell the sleds to be drawn over  
 the glacier in order to get by  
 points of land

Friday March 16  
 Strong winds from East snow  
 drifting with clear sky  
 the frost makes on the nail heads  
 and of course the window (double)  
 are covered with a heavy frost  
 temp 8 am - 22 8 pm - 21

Saturday March 17 1867

Strong winds East and N.E.

overcast part of the time several sleds arrived here from the south at 7.30<sup>pm</sup> part of them are those who have been here all the winter and went away lately

Temp at 8 am - 22 8 pm 25

Sunday March 18

Overcast with light winds from south and light snow

have written a letter to send to my wife when Doctor Hooley starts on his trip which will probably be over thickness of ice 64.72 inches

Temp 8 am - 19 8 pm - 10

Monday March 19

A stormy day that is a thick drift from N.E. to N.W. as bad as it was the Southern natives started off with the loads of stores and provision which Doctor Hooley has taken for his trip across Melville Bay more natives are expected up this week to take the Doctor and remaining goods

Temp 8 am - 16 8 pm - 16

Tuesday March 20 1917  
 strong winds at times with heavy  
 drift later becoming calm and  
 no snow falling but still overcast  
 Temp 8 am -2 8 pm -8  
 the natives make a large boat  
 and put in much old dried grass  
 even at this time of year they can  
 get plenty of this old grass and two  
 back loads were gathered today

Wednesday March 21  
 overcast with light snow falling  
 both Doctor Harvey and Mr Macmillan  
 are about ready to go each on  
 their journeys, waiting for the native  
 sleds which have been sent for  
 temperature at 8 am -7 8 pm -3 +  
 made up to read the thermometer  
 with out the aid of a lantern at 8 pm

Thursday March 22  
 dull weather light winds and snow  
 at night more fog than snow  
 temp 8 am -9 8 pm -14  
 have done quite a working to day  
 and as I worked my blouse or  
 jumper I have had to go without  
 and have a little cold

Friday March 23 1917  
Dull weather with light winds  
from E.C. four sleds arrived from  
the south road two of them are to  
take Doctor Harvey goods and himself  
to North Star Bay they came last night  
one of the natives here came in my  
room last night and seeing I had  
no tobacco he went out to his igloo  
and had enough brought in to fill  
the pipe twice

Mr. McMillan looks out for the  
welfare of a few favored natives  
then he does for the white men  
who are with him this is apt to  
be a fault with some placed  
in charge who become infatuated  
with some of the natives

this no doubt was one of the  
principal causes of his losing  
the respect of his men

Temp 8 am -17 8 pm 14

Etah Doctor Harvey  
starts on trip south

Saturday March 24 1917

Dull weather with light wind at first from N.E Doctor Harvey got away at noon there were three sleek he has looked forward to his going south and making the trip home and though we have all discouraged his making the journey he has invited on going now that he is gone I feel it more strongly that he should not have done so especially on no good cause come from it to the Museum and we should all feel that he should not have made the attempt for it puts us all in a position where we all feel responsible for his safety the weather is getting worse at night I sent a letter by him to be forwarded to my wife he has also left verbal with me also one which gives direction in case of his death

Mr MacMillan did not get away but expect to to morrow he wishes me to be in charge here while he is away The temp was -11 when Dr Harvey left

Temp 8 am 13 8 pm 15

Panec. Par and his son Kai, Ka, chee, returned from nor or took  
have been over to Cape Sabine got 3 bear

Etah, Mr MacMillian  
starts for western land 235

Sunday march 25 1917

Very pleasant with light N.E wind  
Mr MacMillian got away with four  
sleds for his trip in the western  
lands had to return twice for  
things forgotten and a third time  
the dogs ran away with him  
and came back not being able  
to stop them he with his party  
expect to be about about two  
months he wishes me to be in  
charge of this station while he  
is gone and left directions as  
to what he would like to have  
done two sleds came up from  
the south last night they report  
having passed Doctor Harvey south  
of Cape Alexander going well with  
his party

thickens of ice 65 inches  
temp 8 am -17 8 pm -18  
endeavored to take picture of  
mr MacMillians party when  
leaving

our cook got has a touch  
of rheumatism in right arm  
which troubles him

Monday March 26 1817  
 generally pleasant though at time  
 quite drift Monday is now  
 especially my busy day now  
 since Doctor Harley went I have  
 the care of the Seismograph  
 then from Mr. MacMillan I took  
 over the care of two Chronometer  
 and two Thermographs and one  
 Barograph then with my own  
 work of the Temperature every  
 4 hours (except <sup>at</sup> 4 am)

Mr Small our Cook is much  
 improved (not in cleanliness) but  
 of his illumination

our Party living here now  
 consists of Mr Small and myself  
 then Harvey and his wife  
 (they eat in the Haare) then the  
 wives of the three men  
 who have gone with Mr MacMillan  
 who have their food given them  
 by Mr MacMillan before he left

the names of the men who  
 went are Ak Klio, Co tooker who  
 and Ak hal & so on such  
 the last name sounds to me like  
 Hick Puttischaow

temp 8 am - 21 8 pm 22

Tuesday March 27 1914  
 Generally pleasant moderate breeze  
 from NW air Cook is now quite  
 himself again but the fair Native  
 women are suffering with colds in  
 the head two men who came up  
 from the south three days ago had  
 colds and it is possible that our  
 people got it from them these men  
 went away yesterday to the north  
 Bear hunting, they may go across  
 Temp 8 am -10 8 pm -14  
 the two Native men got 4 rabbits to  
 day and yesterday they got one

Wednesday March 28  
 Dull weather with moderate breeze  
 from west  
 Temp 8 am -14 8 pm -10

Thursday March 29  
 Stormy wind NW. with snow at  
 night clearing the weather things to  
 do now keep me occupied much of  
 the time and then remain up  
 till midnight to get the readings  
 of temperatures  
 the Native women are getting better of  
 their colds Temp 8 am -2 8 pm -9

Friday March 30 1917

The weather has cleared off and is very pleasant wind hauling from south to west and is now north moderate the two men are off rabbit hunting temp 8 am - 8 noon - 2 8 pm - 12 later the men returned with three rabbits

Saturday March 31

A stormy day snow and thick drift with strong winds from NE and north though it is uncertain at the place to tell the true direction of the winds

there has been much coal gas in the house to day and has been bad or hard for me to breath easy

temp 8 am - 4 8 pm - 2

April 1 Sunday 1917  
A new month begins and time  
goes on quite quickly.

The weather has improved  
but still <sup>overcast</sup> though the  
women and <sup>the</sup> children have had  
provision given them before Mr.  
MacMillian started off they make  
it a point to be around at  
meal times and get what they  
can this is not always very much  
but as a pat of tea or coffee is  
given it is making inroads on the  
little sugar we have

The Cook Mr. Small looks out  
for the cooking and cooks what  
ever he wishes and I take care  
not to interfere with his work  
Sammy gets the ice and whatever  
is needed to be brought in such  
as the Kerosene Oil the provision  
are scattered very much and are  
all buried in snow drifts in  
little or no order

Temp 8 am -4 8 pm 0  
Thickness of ice 6 6 1/2 inches

Monday April 2 1864  
 Stray wind causing a blinding  
 drift through previously clear sky  
 temp 8 am 0° 8 pm +8

Tuesday April 3  
 weather clearing up though  
 the sky is hazy, cleared away  
 the snow from the roof of the  
 front part of the Hause  
 the two natives Barnik and  
 Kar ker chee, have gone rabbit  
 hunting I have a little cold  
 with sore throat  
 temp 8 am -3 8 pm -4  
 the natives returned at 11 30 pm got 10

Wednesday April 4  
 Very pleasant though fresh breeze  
 from east I do a little work  
 in library but more to keep  
 busy at something and read  
 some The two natives have gone  
 off hunting rabbit but like  
 yesterday they don't start till  
 late in the afternoon  
 temp 8 am 3+ 8 pm 4+  
 the natives got 5 rabbits

Thursday April 5 1917  
Pleasant but becoming overcast  
moderate breeze from North  
the two natives went down  
to Cape Alexander to get walrus  
meat but could get but  
little as it was buried deep  
by snow they got three  
rabbits and saw a seal  
hauled out on the ice I speak  
of this because it is the first  
seen hauled out this spring  
temp 8 am 24 8 pm - 8

Friday April 6

Strong winds carrying quite  
a drift from N & and north impeding  
towards night two natives came  
up from down the coast no special  
word but with hamik to return  
with them when they go back  
as his ~~dad~~ Father Oh loo yer  
(star) wish to see him  
one of the natives the oldest one  
about 25 I took measurement of  
his head height, spread of arms  
and weight  
temp 8 am - 16 8 pm - 16

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Saturday April 7 1867  
 Fresh breeze at first but  
 very pleasant weather then from  
 the two natives who came yesterday  
 started on their return and the  
 two men Lamik and Kau Kaekuk  
 went south with them to be gone  
 hunting for a short time  
 temp 8 am -16 8 pm -10

Sunday April 8  
 Very pleasant weather six sleds  
 came this morning up the coast  
 three of them from North Star Bay  
 bringing Malassie sugar coffee  
 and butter also a letter from  
 Doctor Harvey stating he had arrived  
 there in fine shape and had an  
 enjoyable trip he reached there  
 the last day of March  
 Mr Rossmann had not started  
 on yet on his trip to Peary  
 land but was holding back  
 hoping to hear from south  
 Greenland by Mr Freuchen  
 (Peter) and would wait till  
 about the 6<sup>th</sup> Doctor Harvey's letter  
 was dated the 2<sup>nd</sup> thickness of ice 69<sup>1/2</sup>  
 inches, temp 8 am -8 8 pm -4

Monday April 9 1917

Strong winds at first with drift but later a powerful wind N.E. Clear have been clearing out in part the snow load part of the house where the snowdrifts have accumulated on the roof about an inch and a half of frost the sun yesterday loosened up all that under the roof of the south side so that it began to drop off

Mr MacMillian returned from his trip when he went away he was to be gone till the latter part of May

temp at 8 am -7 8 pm -3 the results of Mr MacMillian trip are practically nil so far as the museum is concerned he found the records of some expedition (the Alert) for the Museum he brought back one of his dogs which had died this he thinks will be good end of interest and his broken snowshoe I can not but help feeling disappointed in his trip

Tuesday April 10 1917  
 Very pleasant weather at 4 am  
 Mr. Rasmussen arrived here on  
 his way to North Greenland there  
 were 28 sleds with 830 dogs  
 all but 7 of these will return  
 south again from here and later  
 when father north part of the 7  
 will return he has hired  
 his native two white men who  
 will go all the way with him  
 Doctor Wolff and a Mr. Koch  
 there has also come up to visit  
 us the mate of the ship Denmark  
 Mr. Nielsen and the chief engineer  
 Mr. Larsen there will return  
 from here to the ship

Doctor Harvey sent up a letter  
 in which he stated that he would  
 get away the 4 and three people  
 say he got started all right  
 Mr. Friesen had not up to  
 then returned from his trip to  
 Upernivik

temp 8 am - 5 8 pm 3+

Wednesday April 11 1917  
Strong winds at first but later  
moderate several sleds started  
off to go over to Elmerland  
Bear and Muskox hunting  
our Cook Mr. Small started  
off with them but he came  
back at 8.30 pm over land  
reporting that the natives had crossed  
not far off so he returned to  
the Haune to stay over night  
all of Mr. Rasmussen's  
party are here resting up  
they are all fine men  
that is his white men he  
is a great man in intellect  
and energy though of medium  
stature and the natives are  
all willing to do any thing for  
him they are having a dance  
in the Haune this evening  
temp 8 am - 2 8 pm 64

Thursday April 1<sup>st</sup> 1867

Dull weather with light snow  
and light wind from south and  
west I take much pleasure in  
the company of these Danish People  
as they all can speak english  
of course we are a little crowded  
this however more at the table  
than elsewhere as there is not enough  
dishes or cutlery neither knives or  
fork to go around

our cook started off this morning  
but returned and at night when  
a Native who had been bear hunting  
got one Bear (Auklee O) brought word  
that the Native who Mr. Small is  
going with sent word for him  
to come at once as they wish to  
get started so he is leaving  
at 10 pm

temp 8 am 8° + 8 pm 9° +

Friday April 13 1914  
 Generally pleasant a number of the sleds which came up with Mr. Rasmussen returned south the noon and about 5 pm he started with the remainder (about 10) to continue his trip to North Greenland  
 the Native and Esquimaux of course returned south & the usual while Doctor Wulff and Mr. Koch went with Mr. Rasmussen  
 temp 8 am 4 + 8 pm 2 +

Saturday April 14  
 Pleasant weather three sleds went down to Cape Alexander and brought up meat To day I shifted the clock which is connected with the seismograph from Doctor Harvey's Room (formerly) to my room then had to lengthen out the wires which make the connection it is now working well the natives are leaving six the room (Doctor Harvey's) and while Mr. Rasmussen party were here it got purled out of town several time and stayed light East wind  
 temp 8 am -3 8 pm -3

Sunday April 15 1917  
 Pleasant overcast but strong wind  
 and drift after noon better  
 a sled came from the North the  
 Party two men have been over  
 to Elmer land and got a number  
 of musk ox skins (6) report Mr -  
 Kasmussen and Party at Norcortok  
 and Mr Knell about half way  
 there, had intended to go up to  
 the lake and measure the ice thickness  
 but to much wind  
 thickness of Harbor ice 71 inches  
 temp -8 am 19 8 pm -13

Monday April 16  
 Pleasant though strong wind  
 from S.E. the natives whom came  
 yesterday with the musk ox skins  
 report that there Party got a herd  
 of 23 there 6 were there share  
 as there native have very few  
 Deer skins they use the musk  
 ox skins for Beding and the  
 Bear skins are practically all  
 used for the men's pants  
 even the very small boys pants  
 are made of these  
 temp 8 am -9 8 pm -5

Tuesday April 17 1917

Pleasant but at times a fresh breeze  
three sleds came up from the south  
some of the natives intend going over  
to the west lands to hunt muskox  
the two men who came from there  
the 15<sup>th</sup> continued on their way south  
but went over the glacier (perhaps  
to where wharf musk ox meat they had  
from being eaten up by the other  
natives they ~~were~~ <sup>were</sup> ~~more~~ <sup>more</sup> to meet if  
they followed the shore ice)

have cleared away much of the bank  
of snow which had accumulated in  
front of the house  
temp at 8 am - 6 8 pm - 4

Wednesday April 18

Pleasant with moderate wind I went  
up to the head of the Bay to a lake  
and out through the ice to measure  
it, and found it was 84 inches  
at about the center of the lake although  
it looked as though a person could  
see through it a native came up  
and brought me back on his sled  
took a fox out of the trap on his way back  
a party of natives started off wharf ox hunting  
in the west shore temp 8 am - 4° 8 pm 0°

Thursday April 19 1867  
 generally pleasant though a little  
 cloudy during the afternoon  
 three sleds which includes all  
 all the natives here have gone to  
 Nerkeq to hunt walrus and seal  
 for a few days only one young boy  
 remaining here (Oudey) the natives  
 usually get one or more rabbits  
 when they go out hunting them he  
 brought in one to day the surprising  
 thing is that there should be so many  
 where there is so little land no covered  
 with ice temp 8 am 6+ 8 pm 5+

Friday April 20  
 Becoming overcast and damp, Ninety  
 Samikk returned instead of going  
 on yesterday there are two extra  
 women here who belong to the men  
 who have gone on with Mr Rasmussen  
 Party and will stop here for them  
 after seeing Mr Rasmussen well on  
 his way to North Greenland  
 the snow break is so high about  
 the house that the dogs in fighting  
 break and two windows in my room  
 & day had to replace the glass  
 temp 8 am 3+ 8 pm 5+

Saturday April 21 1917  
Cloudy overcast with misty and snowy  
air light breeze south & west  
have been replacing the Barograph  
clock and have it now where it  
will be safe from getting jarred  
from people coming in contact  
with it temp 8 am 4 + 8 pm 4 +

Sunday April 22  
Pleasant weather two of Mr.  
Rasmussen's helpers returned from  
his party they had gone to help  
him along others are to come later  
but are ~~to~~ farther on with him  
there was also 4 helpers come up  
from the south there are going  
much ox hunting over to the west  
land or Elamer land  
thickness of ice 7 1/2 inches  
temp 8 am 3 + 8 pm 3 +  
Samik and Oudy brought over  
some coral from the Island

Monday April 23 1917

Dull and rainy with a little snow to day have taken down the old wires which connect the clock with the seismograph as the covering was poor, covered new wires and put them up and now so far the seismograph is working well I think the trouble has been that the wires would get covered with frost and thereby cut off circuit also repelled the frost with the ammonium chlorid

the natives did not get away to day the weather being & thick

temp 8 am 7 + 8 pm 5 +

Tuesday April 24

Pleasant weather have been getting a long plank ready so as to take the measurements of the rise and fall of the tides the four sleds continued on to cross over to Elmer land Mink ox hunting and two sleds went on their way south to North star Bay two of the natives who work for this station returned from the Northward they brought back some old meat at 10:30 pm 2 sleds seen going south  
Wednesday morn permanent station sleds  
temp 8 am 5 + 8 pm 2 +

Wednesday April 25 1914

Very pleasant the Neds arrived here last night while we went on Saeth it was thought when seen that there were two sled of Mr. Rasmussen but this was not so they were all of a party who had been musk ox hunting over on the west side of the sound they were very successfull and got a few Bear and a number of musk ox these natives are now getting well acquainted and are not afraid to go over to the other shore hunting having been taken over there by Expedition parties and it would seem that the musk ox will in a few years will be exterminated there are so few Deer in this part of Greenland that the natives use the skins of the musk ox for Beds and covering in the stone and sod houses the skin of one young musk ox was traded for here to be used for mounting at the Museum cleared out the remaining snow and frost from the garret overhead temp 8 am 3 + 8 pm 1 +

Thursday April 24 1817  
 Very pleasant though slightly cloudy  
 at times light southerly wind  
 Mr MacMillan started off on a short  
 trip to Nerkey distance about 40 miles  
 he said he should be gone about  
 four days there were with him  
 three of the Musk ox hunting sleds  
 Samik went as driver <sup>with a few natives</sup> for him  
 this leaves me alone <sup>here</sup>  
 temp 8 am 8 + 8 pm 5 +

Friday April 24  
 Dull light weather working on my  
 Tide gage so as to be ready by  
 the first of May have written a  
 letter to Dr Wissler of the museum  
 in case there should be a chance to  
 send it  
 temp 8 am 7 + 8 pm 7 +

Saturday April 28  
 Dull light spring weather  
 we now have the sun shining  
 at midnight though where the house  
 stands we can not see it on account  
 of the high mountain north of us but  
 out on the prairie and on the hill south  
 temp 8 am 7 + 8 pm 10 +

Sunday April 29 1914

Dull light weather what wind there is is from the N.W. Mr. MacWilliam returned from his trip to Kerkei at 4 pm two of the natives old Paul is far and his has & took a shot started to go hunting near set Kerkei the woman who takes care of and does her best to keep the house clean is now on the neck list this makes it hard for her as she has two small children both of which are nursing

Temp at 8 am 11 + 8 pm 9 +  
thickness of ice 72 inches

Monday April 30

Dull weather with a little snow falling at time Put the tide gauge up this is done by cutting two holes in the ice 17 feet apart (the length of the plank) which is held in place up about 5 feet by wooden horses then let a fine gallon milk can down in one (which had been filled with small stones) in pattern of water) & the other end of the wire have a tea pound lead about the center of the plank is a slide which carries a weight of flat iron and leave it at high tide the same when tide is falling

had not a smoother season  
moderate ice and smooth

Temp 8 am 11 + 8 pm 11 +

Tuesday May 1 1918

Dull weather light air now & went getting the tide gauge fixed up to my satisfaction the rise and fall of the tide to day was 5 feet and 1 <sup>1/2</sup> inches I also rigged up a seal for Mr. Macmillan and wound it with fine wire he says he will take soundings at seal holes in going across over to Elmer land he went up to Bettleton Island to day with Samik and got some Duck eggs which had been gathered last summer and put under stone carious Nature does well by us in making us enjoy things here which at home we could not endure, though the Eggs are not bad Temp 8 am 11 + 8 pm 11 +

Wednesday May 2

Dull weather Little or no wind am now tending the tide gauge every hour it was low water at 2.45 pm this keeps me quite busy what with the barograph, Chronometer, and every form having the temperature and weather and the time passes quickly Mr. Macmillian is great on taking Pictures and getting ready to go off on a trip tomorrow Temp 8 am 5 + 8 pm 10 +

Thursday May 3 1917

Dull weather with a little snow a short while four sleds of men Rasmussen supporting sleds others have gone hunting Bear and musk ox on Elmer land Mr Rasmussen's party are going on alright with plenty of meat when these natives get to North Star Bay some one of them will forward the mail so that it will get to Upernivik and go out on a steamer have written two letters one to Mr. Osborn President of the Museum and one to Doctor Milder of the Museum and will also write to my wife I am kept quite busy with the tide gauge Mr MacMillan started off with four sleds to go across the sound to hunt walrus

Temp 8 AM 13 + 8 pm 14 +

Friday May 4

Dull with some fog and snow two sleds came up from the Mukonacies bringing a native heplos one of the men who went with Peary to the Pole last fall he fell off the Glacier and crushed his right foot so that Doctor Hunt had to cut it off close to the ankle I was to make a plaster cast of it so that it could be sent to Denmark and an artificial foot made the plaster here is of no use but will try again

Temp 8 am 10 + 8 pm 12 +

Saturday May 5 1917

A very stormy day strong gale with damp snow from NW though the wind varies between that and NE at times it is blinding to find the way out to the tide gauge which I attend every hour beginning at 4 am till midnight

Made a Plaster Cast of the extremity of Aglow's right leg the Plaster I got by shaking it out of some Bandages which I have been keeping in case someone got a broken bone there were two dozen bandages I got enough out of 6 to make the mould and later will shake out enough to fill it

temp 8 am 19° 8 pm 17°

Sunday May 6

Generally pleasant with the wind moderate by noon and later becoming overcast again one end of the wire broke on the tide gauge so that I lost 15 lbs of lead now have replaced with two two quart cans filled with gravel from the hill. Some of the natives here have a feeling of freedom in taking things out of the house I think they have done this so long that they resent my putting things where they can't get them thickness of ice 72 inches temp 8 am 11° 8 pm 8°

Monday May 7 1914

Cloudy weather with the winds variable in force and direction our two young natives started to go to herky at the same time that the two sleds went on there return with bigles about midnight other people like to sleep during the full moon and begin to move if going anywhere towards night they take life easy and seem never to be in a hurry three sleds have just come up from down that way (9 pm) some snow falling during the day temp 8 am 9 + 8 pm 5 +

A woman who I have seen but once sent me a walrus tusk she was the wife of the man who lost his life when Mr Macmillan and Green were returning from the failure to find Crocker land she is the mother of Samiuk the young man who is employed here she is now living with another native (Ob loo yek) whose wife died last winter while I was at North Star Bay of child birth

Tuesday May 8 1917  
 Generally pleasant with fresh N.W.  
 breeze backing to S.E. at night  
 two of the sleds which came  
 yesterday continued on their way up  
 to Narvik today one return day  
 remaining here to keep up the  
 hourly record of the tide gauge  
 and watch the temperature kept me  
 so much going that the women are  
 now helping me out by going out  
 to the tide gauge and placing a nail  
 in to mark the plane on the house  
 as it passes the working this I read  
 off when I go so that I can now go  
 less frequently there is several things  
 which keep me busy from 7 am till  
 after midnight

Temp 8 am 3° 8 pm 2° +  
 to day I gave each natives head a  
 thorough rubbing with Muscual Ointment  
 to destroy the vermin which is so common  
 to all Eskimos they were anxious to have  
 it done

by shaking out more of the Plaster  
 Paris bandages I got enough plaster to  
 fill up the mould made of the stump of  
 Agloos leg so that is now ready to dry  
 and put away to be sent to Denmark

Wednesday May 9 1917

Pleasant and clear with moderate breeze N.E. to day had the highest tide so far between midnight and one am then it fell 12 feet and 8 inches I should have said that yesterday low tide was the lower, then it rose to that amount. The holes through the ice have to be cut occasionally to prevent closing up and freezing the wire it did this over to day so that I lost the 8 pm reading the three sleds started south the two which went away yesterday having come back early this am and all got started again home this afternoon

Temp 8 am 4+ 8 pm 6+

Thursday May 10

Pleasant clear weather though cold for this time of year especially with a fresh breeze. I am alone here with the fine women two of them are inclined to be lazy while two are good workers and one is quite gone with Consumption she is known as Buster

Temp 8 am 4+ 8 pm 2+

Friday May 11 1917

Pleasant weather but most of the time a fresh N.E. wind which requires attention to keep the wire of the tide gauge from being frozen in

Temp 8 am 3° + 8 pm 7°  
During the night fell to -3°

Saturday May 12

Pleasant and clear though fresh winds from N.E. in order to keep the wire from freezing in to the ice I have tried on an experiment putting about two quarts of Kerosene oil in to the holes and think it will help very much as it may act as a blanket between the air and water

Temp 8 am 8 + 8 pm 10 +

Sunday May 13

Pleasant though fresh breeze most of the time the oil I put in the holes helps a little but still the ice forms under it but it keeps the wire oiled so that it goes easier the ice does not gain in thickness and still measures 7 1/2 inches thick Temp 8 am 12 + 8 pm 13 +

Had the main hunting  
to day for the first time  
after trying this was second  
of three

Monday May 14 1917

Generally pleasant and much warmer though at times overcast moderate to light winds three sleds have just arrived they are Mr Rasmussen man who after leaving him as supporting party went much on hunting and it looks as though they had been successfull have not come in & the house as yet  
 temp 8 am 19° 8 pm 25°

one of these native who has come got his foot badly hurt and is much swollen but the skin is not broken have put a Iodine and bound it up tightly

later a fourth sled came in this man Metuck has his wife with him they have killed many musk ox and given us for trade some 30 or 40 lbs of meat

Tuesday May 15

Pleasant and the warmest day so far this spring the natives report seeing the little cucks (the very small ones) here they catch thousands of in the summer they nest in the talus or slopes of the hills facing the south and are caught in nets (dip nets) the 4 sleds got away this pm Codd took too, As he has, Metuck, and Codd took the latter his foot much improved  
 temp 8 am 26° 8 pm 23°

These birds are called  
 As find de oska and purnut  
 (though small) musk birds and  
 the skins are used for shirts

Wednesday May 16 1917

Pleasant with moderate breeze N E  
 the Native women have moved out  
 of their partly underground houses  
 and moved in to their tent  
 have had some extra work in the  
 seismograph room removing the winter  
 accumulation of frost and now hope  
 that this trouble of water dripping will  
 stop but on three different ~~paper~~ today  
 as they got ruined we so far as my  
 looking. but far it have had no shock  
 still there is no knowing when we may  
 escape have had occasion to get after  
 the women to do as they are very much  
 inclined to be lazy and indifferent to  
 the work they should do to help me  
 have put a plank walk up to the  
 front door temp 8 am 24° 8 pm 24°

Thursday May 17

Pleasant with fresh wind from East  
 have not got the seismograph working  
 good yet

the Native women report seeing  
 gulls & clay for the first time this  
 spring  
 temp 8 am 25° 8 pm 24°

Friday May 18 1917.

Pleasant with moderate breeze from NE & E our two boys Naonik and Sudy returned <sup>early this am</sup> from Resky they have taken 6 red but brought nothing up the report is that Peter Freuchen the Agent at North Star Bay has not as yet returned from his trip to Upernivik I think he started out in February.

Temp 8 am 25° + 8 pm 23° +

Saturday May 19

Showing quite thick this forenoon after noon clearing off very pleasant and wind moderating from a fresh breeze from South & a light North west air one of the Native women (Wee-wee) gave me a fine Blue fox skin as I help her in the care of her small child and in the cooking, as she is the house keeper in the absence of Mr Small

Temp, 8 am 15° + 8 pm 15° +

when Naonik returned he brought up his little sister a girl of about 8 years of age this adds another to our house hold

Sunday May 20 1917

Very Pleasant though fresh breeze during forenoon our two young men have gone off again to the Northwest looking for seal the seal supply at present is very little though no doubt but that when the snow goes there will be enough found to carry us through we are burning wood most of the time from old crates and boxes thickness of ice 72 inch temp 8 am 20 + 8 pm 22 +

Monday May 21

Started in Pleasant but becoming overcast at night with damp snow falling one of the women caught a gull in a trap set for it three days ago the Native Judge shot the first one seen of the season could hear the small birds again to day wind moderate overcast temp 8 am 20 + 8 pm 19

Tuesday May 22

Dull with a little snow falling mostly in the forenoon the women caught another gull there they like in fact eat everything but the Crows even eat their body lice temp 8 am 19 + 8 pm 20 +

Wednesday May 23 1914

Dull weather moving most of the time moderate south east to east wind the women caught a number of the small deer (Mr had deer) they are about the size of goats and are much esteemed as food by them caught in scoop nets they brought in a bout a dozen the first of the season temp 8 am 23 + 8 pm 19 +

Thursday May 24

A party of 7 sleds arrived this am at 2 o'clock am Mr Small was one of the party they have been off much of hunting the west side of the sound killed quite a number among the skins brought here was one with an extra set of hind legs growing from out the flesh on the inside of the proper one of course not well developed but with lengthened hoof as the skin is still frozen can not better describe them they also got a number of young skins most of them unborn this deformed one was a well grown female the day has been dull and moving most of the time at night clear at night the sleds contained in temp 8 am 24 + 8 pm 18 +

Friday May 15 1917

Pleasant with fresh breeze from N.E. to East Mr. MacWilliam arrived here this morning at one o'clock so this again broke up what sleep I would have had his party got to bear but no mark of he has taken a large number of pictures

temp 8 am 20 + 8 pm 17 +

Saturday May 16

Generally pleasant though a little snow at one time Mr. Small with Kamik and Ooddy have gone up the coast to hunt for seal Fresh breeze N.E. then north then N.E. again

temp 8 am 20 + 8 pm 23 +

Sunday May 17

Pleasant with variable winds the women went to the rookery of the Birds and got quite a number - one of the natives C. took er shot got 2 seal thickness of the ice 72 inches

temp 8 am 26 + 8 pm 27 +

the natives now have their tents set up and are living in them

Monday May 28 1917

Pleasant with fresh NE and East wind  
two sleds New harp gun was and ask has  
started on a trip south seal hunting  
and visiting.

temp 8 am 37° + 8 pm 35° +

Tuesday May 29

Very pleasant and warm though a  
fresh to moderate breeze from East  
the harbor ice is getting a little wet  
at least to day was Mr MacMillan  
has gone to Cape Alexander with three  
sled to take Pictures the hill is  
so steep back of the Haue and the snow  
so deep ~~+~~ ~~that~~ ~~+~~ around the Haue at the  
back ~~that~~ the water comes leaking through  
in to the back room where holes have  
been cut in the floor to let it through  
in to the ground it has done this in  
all the other winters there are a few  
small birds around and it is very pleasant  
to hear them morning

temp 8 am 37° + 8 pm 42° +

Wednesday May 30 1917

Pleasant with fresh to moderate breeze from NE to East Mr. MacMillian, and party returned this afternoon

the ice is now getting quite wet and will be till holes are formed in it <sup>that will</sup> to run it off the snow is settling and disappearing fast

temp 8 am 40 + 8 pm 35 +

Thursday May 31

Pleasant with fresh breeze from East becoming cloudy in the evening have carried out and filled four boxes of stone to keep the tide gauge from being moved in any way by the wind as the ice is thawing on the surface

temp 8 am 36 + 8 pm 34 +

Friday June 1 1917

Pleasant though fresh breeze and a little flurry of snow this afternoon

Mr MacMillian has decided to help keep the tide gauge records by looking out for it from midnight till 6 am this will make a complete record for the 24 hours we are now having water from the hill side instead of bringing in ice

temp 8 am 38 + 8 pm 33 +

Saturday June 2 1917

Pleasant with strong winds from East  
the Ice has lately broken in by  
the outer Island at the entrance of  
the Harbor the two Native took the  
small row boat out to hunt seal  
the snow is fast disappearing from the  
hill sides

Temp 8 am 31° 8 pm 35°

Sunday June 3

Pleasant with fresh breezes from  
East and North-East have put some  
asphalt pitch in the holes at the  
tide gauge hoping that the oil and  
dark color will help in keeping them  
open as they require constant  
attention to keep them from closing  
up Mr Small and the two Native  
boys Lamik and Oudey returned  
this morning at 6 o'clock they have  
taken 15 seal but only brought the  
skins back as part of them

Thickness of Ice 21 1/2 inches

they met one of Mr. Rasmussen's <sup>returning</sup> rating  
who gave them a letter a letter from  
Mr Rasmussen for Mr MacMillan in which  
he says he hopes to get back here by the  
first of August temp 8 am 34° 8 pm 31°

Monday June 4 1917

Pleasant with fresh & light east winds the natives get a good many of the very small Ocker Elk and deer  
temp 8 am 30+ 8 pm 28+

Tuesday June 5<sup>th</sup>

Pleasant with moderate breeze from east backing to north  
temp 8 am 30 8 pm 32

Wednesday June 6

Pleasant with light north west wind the natives get large numbers of the very small deer now two families of the natives Ocker find a swar and E-tah er who have gone down to a place known as Nerkey to hunt seal for a while The Birds I speak of come to the Greenland Cliff by many millions and as they are easily taken furnish much food for the natives as they blow them away under the rock for winter use where they are so plentiful they make a noise similar to frog in a swamp in spring time reminding one of the story of the frog of Windham

temp 8 am 32+ 8 pm 32+

Thursday June 7 1917

Very pleasant with moderate breeze from south west an occasional ice goes on its way by to the northward and over across the two bays got a Falcon with the eggs there were 4 of them, when they came down from Nor a task on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June brought down two eggs of the Falcon

Temp 8 am 38+ 8 pm 38+

Friday June 8.

Very pleasant with light winds SW and calm. Several natives came this am early. New King was and his Father Commanding was also 3 other young natives they brought mail up from the station at North Star Bay which Mr. Freighter had brought up when he met Doctor Harvey a letter from Doctor Harvey and a note from Mr. Ekblaw. He was at South Upernivik and Doctor Harvey expected to leave Tasiarsak and reach Upernivik the day after he wrote the letter, May 1. He was to change natives there and he was in fine health though there were times when he felt that he had undertaken to much

Temp 36+ 8 am 8 pm 38+

Saturday June 9 1917

Very pleasant with moderate breeze from west & N.W. one of the young men who came up here yesterday had sprained his ankle very badly this I have been caring for, to day he is a little better and can put his foot to the ground Mr MacMillian with the Native help got the first Gull Egg of the season little or no ice to be seen off shore

Temp 8 am 37 8 pm <sup>about 35°</sup>?

Sunday June 10

Overcast and raw with west wind moderate during the last two weeks the ice has melted and evaporated a 2 inches on its surface but nothing on the bottom this I keep track of from having during the winter in taking measurements I place a long pole drove in one of the holes and this freezing in was bowed off level it is 8 day 2 inches above the surface and the ice is just that much less in thickness by measurement 70 inches Mr MacMillian has kept the readings on the ice gauge now for several nights midnight till 6 am, Temp 8 am 28 + 8 pm 28 +

Monday June 11 1917

Pleasant and calm though a little hazy the sleds that came up a few days ago started on their return this evening the man's ankle being so he could walk a little one native is going to remain at Etah Mr MacMillan lives or sleeps out in the tents and as he takes the tide readings from midnight till 6 am he then sleeps till in the afternoon then comes in to our late dinner Mr Small went off & day in his kayak to hunt seal but returned with not seeing any, intend to keep the tide readings till Saturday night the 16<sup>th</sup> have & ware rubber boots to go out & it as the natives boots wet through so easily temp 8 am 30 & 8 pm 40 &

I gathered some flowers and have them in my room window small purple one that grow in bushes the grass begins to show green and the snow is going quite fast off the hill sides

Tuesday June 1<sup>st</sup> 1917

Very pleasant mostly calm through out the day the Natives get large quantities of the Birds and feed them to the dogs the dogs here have a disease which the Natives call periblock tow (go crazy) and bite other dogs or sometimes the Natives themselves and have to be shot but so far I have not seen the same kind of trouble here with the dogs that the people have with them in Northern Heedren Bay they become weak in the back and loose the use of the hind legs sometimes the foxes go insane and run in circles the camp among the dogs and this the Natives say without losing the disease on so the dogs become no

Temp 8 am 38 + 8 pm 40 +

Wednesday June 13 1917

Pleasant though becoming hazy and overcast took a few snap shot pictures of the surroundings about the house the natives family which has been living in one of the rooms moved out this evening cleaned up around the house with a rake and dragged off three dead dogs one which has lain in the entrance way since Mr. MacMillans return the 9th of April

Temp 8 am 44 + 8 pm 38 + the natives get their knock out of the garret and put them in the water which come in among the rough ice

Thursday June 14

Pleasant light air and calm the natives go out in their knock (the edge of the ice being in side the Harbor entrance) but report seal as being scarce though water still plentiful even as late in the season as now the water freeze in at the tide gauge

Temp at 8 am 37 8 pm 36

Etah

Friday June 15<sup>th</sup> 1917

Pleasant with light variable winds  
 Mr Small and two of the natives went  
 up to Littleton Island last night in  
 their kayak they got half a dozen duck  
 eggs and a couple of gull eggs  
 this Island and neighboring ones are  
 said to be good places for collecting eggs  
 they will soon be abundant

The ice around the shore is now  
 getting broken up so that I have to pick  
 my way out over it in going to the tide  
 gauge temp 8 am 37° 8 pm 47°

Saturday June 16

Pleasant with moderate winds but  
 becoming overcast at night

Three sleds returned from the  
 southward they have been hunting seal  
 for about two weeks

Mr MacMillan went with some natives  
 went up to Cape Alexander the natives  
 to get some meat and he to take pictures

Took down the tide gauge at 9 pm  
 this makes a record of the tides for 46  
 days and having attended it for 18  
 hours each day I feel tired and  
 the distance out to it being 275 yards  
 temp 8 am 41° 8 pm 37°

in the 46 days of  
 taking the tide gauge  
 I have walked 2.40 miles

Sunday June 17 1917

Pleasant and warm no wind & speak of becoming overcast at night about all the natives including Mr MacMillan and Mr Small are getting ready to go up to Littleton Island & morrow to gather Duck eggs the natives now are taking solid comfort sitting out around and as they have a graphophone that is kept going and sound is pleasant

temp 43 + 8 am, 8 pm 39 +  
Thickness of Ice 65  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches

the lack being from the top and not from the underneath side

the pole which I had placed in a hole cut during the winter thawed out and this last week so that I did not get the benefit of it that I thought I should

Monday June 18

Pleasant at first but at night becoming overcast and raining lightly Mr MacMillan and Mr Small with a number of natives have gone up in boats and knacker to Littleton Island to get Duck eggs so I am alone again have commenced digging around the old cabin and picking up old material temp 8 am 41 + 8 pm 40 +

Tuesday June 19 1917  
 Pleasant at first but becoming overcast  
 and a little light rain and snow  
 Mr MacMillan returned last night and  
 brought back quite a number of  
 Duck Eggs also gulls and brants  
 so that now we have plenty of Duck  
 Eggs to eat the others he saves as  
 specimens the natives did not come  
 back with Mr MacMillan

each day I dig around and get some  
 old native implements

temp 8 am 37 + 8 pm 34 +

Wednesday June 20

Pleasant with light variable wind  
 the natives all returned this morning  
 Mr MacMillan has been up the head of  
 the Bay taking pictures in digging I do  
 not get but little but of course it all  
 helps temp 8 am 34 + 8 pm 36 +

the ice is breaking in to the Harbor  
 quite fast

Thursday June 21 1917

Generally pleasant but a little  
maw falling at night wind fresh  
from the west & south  
have been washing clothes and digging  
around old ruins with a little success  
the very small auklets are now beginning  
to lay

temp 8 am 46 + 8 pm 37 +

Friday June 22

Deelly weather with light variable  
wind mostly south Mr MacMellan went  
off in the small boat and got a number  
of eggs for his collection

the harbor it self is now all broken  
up though in the height where the  
hause is there is some ice still fast  
and also up to the head of the Bay  
temp 8 am 37 + 8 pm 37 +  
the natives have taken 3 seals so far  
working from the hause

Saturday June 23 1917

Generally pleasant though partly overcast  
the natives are busy getting Kicks  
ready ticks but a short distance & the  
water rifle shot distance  
Temp 8 am 46° 8 pm 48°

Sunday June 24

Pleasant and warm I went up  
& the head of the Bay (perhaps about 5 miles)  
and dug around the ruins of an old  
Igloo got a very few articles  
This house was occupied at the time  
Doctor Kane was up here in his Brig  
Advance the place where Doctor Hayes  
wintered is within 3 miles of here or in  
sight from the window

Thickness of ice 58 1/2 inches  
Temp 8 am 35° 8 pm 45°

Monday June 25

Generally pleasant with moderate wind  
from S.W. each day I take the  
temperature wind anerometer and  
change the paper on the barograph  
and then dig around among the old  
ruins

Temp 8 am 38° 8 pm 35°

Tuesday June 26 1917

generally pleasant wind becoming fresh from S.E. though variable for part of the day

have poor success now in digging even in what appear to be the very alder reins I find the white man material in evidence but this may have washed down in recent year  
 Temp 8 am 35° + 8 pm 45° +

Wednesday June 27

Pleasant with light wind S.W.  
 Mr MacMillan and Mr Small with a party of natives have gone to the headland of Cape Alexander to hunt and collect Birds eggs expect to be gone two days so I am alone again aside from part of the natives

Temp 8 am 43° + 8 pm 43° +

Thursday June 28

overcast with a little snow rain and fog light wind south

the women are sewing the skin on a <sup>(New ket pin way)</sup> kiack in the house as the weather is not fit for such work outside this kiack measures 19 feet long 2 feet broad and a depth at least of 8 inches requires 5 seal skins to cover it  
 Temp 8 am 39° + 8 pm 35° +

Friday June 29 1917

Dull weather but not stormy  
the natives get a seal here occassionly  
clase by and they also fish through  
the crack in the ice for a fish we  
call the skulpian or sea robin

there are a fish that I think the  
white whalers and seal live on

temp 8 am 34° 8 pm 37°  
to day the natives got two seal and one  
oujoung (ground seal) the two seal were taken  
by the man who had his knock finished  
last night at midnight Lamek got the oujoung

Saturday June 30

Dull weather a little rain and  
some snow with it have been cleaning  
up the back room of the house  
one of the natives brought in a  
drinking glass full of flowers  
for me they look fine and  
it brings out a taste which  
I did not think these natives  
had an appreciation of the flowers  
temp 8 am 38° 8 pm 35°

Sunday July 1 1917

Dull weather a little rain and fog wind moderate from west the time goes fast and it won't be long now before we can expect the boat up from North Star Bay while I was out just for a moment one of the natives got a fire started by accident in the back room but he quickly got one of the large size milk cans (10 gallons) of water and put <sup>in</sup> it out as I came in thickness of ice 5<sup>2</sup> to 6<sup>2</sup> temp 8 am 36 + 8 pm 34 +

Monday July 2

Dull weather with some fog I get but little from the old ruins considering the amount of digging the natives go out and get a few seal and the women get the little arctic fox & arctic hare we are learning wood now which are cut up from the old crates and boxes though it is said that there is some coral and on one of the Islands where they tried to rig up the wireless station temp 8 am 34 + 8 pm 45 + the bad weather must be keeping Mr MacMillan away

Tuesday July 3 1914

Dull weather with fog wind moderate from west the natives brought in another kiack and covered it with seal skin I have been much interested in seeing them build these kiacks and covering them our people are making such a long stay away that it must be the weather that is holding them back

temp 8 am 32° +

Wednesday July 4

Dull weather some rain and fog Mr MacMillan and his party returned at 9 am they have taken 4 walrus and one ougoung they have been down as far as Nerkey on the way back they stopped at a place called Kaluday where they (the natives) dug a little around an old ruin they got a few things and report it a fine place to look for good results in digging so that I hope to be able to get there it is about 20 miles away

temp 8 am 42° + 8 pm 34° +

have got a few articles in digging

Thursday July 5<sup>th</sup> 1917

Started from the Harbor at about 10 am to a place about 10 miles perhaps a little more north of Lyttleton Island to dig for old material about old ruins said to be there stopped at Lyttleton Island and got some Puffin eggs there were great numbers of them there but they were to far advanced most of them to be eaten from one nest in which there were only two (where I saw the Duck fly off) one of the eggs was a robbing black one (later when on my return now) when shown the natives they say they have never seen one like it before

turned them over to Mr. MacMillan

after taking as many eggs as I wished

I went on 10 or 12 miles up the coast light rain most of the day, on my way up a walrus came up under the boat and nearly capsized it got out the rifle and drove it off I had hoped to find also some provision which was said to stored away at this place found it difficult to make a landing on the fringe of ice clinging to the shore and the tide was not quite up but finally hauled out and looked around saw a number of stone fox traps and picked up an old stone lamp (not complete) turned the boat over and slept under it wind SW

Friday July 6 1917

Slept quite comfortably under the Boat my  
feet gear being wet is the want that there  
is to contend with to day have walked  
around hoping to find the old ruins but with  
no success plenty of trout rings and places  
where meat has been stored in older times  
as there are no natives now living north of  
Etah The sun came out in the afternoon  
and I returned to the Boat to rest and dry  
my feet gear fresh breeze from the SW  
on my way up here not a seal to be seen  
though I shot a young one asleep on the Ice  
here water quite plentiful  
no Ice to speak of the west shore shores up  
very plain and as I look out over so much  
clear water I do not wonder the early Explorers  
thought there might be an open Polar sea  
just before midnight the tide being nearly up  
I launched the boat and went on a few miles  
farther and landed on the Ice in a quite deep  
light went up to the head of the Bay but could  
see no signs of old Igloos  
then I gone up going farther and started on  
the return trip wind moderate to fresh from  
the North and a fair ebb tide  
temp at Etah 8 am 36° + 8 pm 38° +

Saturday July 7 1917

After a long tiresome pull but with fair winds all the way and tide most of the way I arrived back at the Haune at 10:30 am the natives here got 5 walrus here just out side the Harbor last night the moon last night when in the North was about an hour and a half high as we would say at home walrus were very plentiful about me on the return trip, my trip was not a success temp 8 am 49 + 8 pm 44 + at night overcast and wind SW

Sunday July 8

Dull weather with light variable wind got a few oysters by digging the time now is short before we can look for the vessel to arrive here from North Star Bay Mr MacMillan is busy packing up various articles so as to have every thing ready for shipment temp 8 am 44 + 8 pm 39 + the ice where I have taken measurement during the winter is still in some places though a boat can come and go from in front of the Haune it measured 8 days 3 feet 8 inches one oyster and one seal when I left on the trip to go up to the northward had to discontinue the seismograph

Monday July 9 1917

Steady rain all day and most of last night so that the rain washed through the windows of my room of course one not able to walk out doors but have taken down the seismograph and getting it ready to pack up

temp 8 am 46 + 8 pm 41 +

Tuesday July 10

Weather clearing off quite fine  
Mr MacMellan and Mr Small with one Native have gone off but did not say where they were going or how long they would stay away I have been packing up the seismograph which is somewhat of a task it takes 6 cases to hold it all and much of it is very heavy the ice is now all gone in front of the house  
temp 8 am 39 + 8 pm 41 +

Wednesday July 11. 1917

generally clear with fresh winds west and north the natives get a large seal occasionally (Sejaceq) this is used the skin for boat bottoms and lines for sled and dog team walrus seem to be more plentiful than seal and more readily taken

our sugar has been gone now for several days but there is enough molasses

Temp 8 am 41 + 8 pm 40 +

Thursday July 12

Partly cloudy but generally pleasant finished packing up and weighed and marked the boxes of seismograph material 6 boxes in all and weighed (whole amount) 875 lbs

Two seal taken to day

Temp 8 am 52 8 pm 54

Friday July 13

Pleasant with light variable air  
Mr Small returned at 1 am and  
Mr MacMillan and the natives this pm  
have taken one walrus and got some  
Duck eggs they are very plentiful but are  
going by Temp 8 am 47 8 pm 47

Saturday July 14 1917  
 Pleasant light breeze and Calm  
 Mr. MacMillan went off again early this  
 am and Mr. Small went away this  
 afternoon he is bound up the coast  
 he has a block of his own  
 some natives have gone with him  
 I went up along the shore toward  
 the head of the Bay to find the  
 ruins of two Igloos which Mr. Mac-  
 millan said were there but was unable  
 to find them To day I was much  
 surprised to find white Dandy lions  
 though the yellow ones are plentifull  
 I gathered some to press and take home  
 temp 8 am 45° + 8 pm 44° +

Sunday July 15  
 Cloudy with fog at times moderate  
 winds - Southly have collected a few  
 flowers and also dug around the old  
 ruins with some success  
 Mr. MacMillan returned this morning early  
 temp 8 am 44° + 8 pm 41° +

Monday July 16 1917

Dull weather at times a little snow in the air Mr Small returned this afternoon has not been but little ways they had one boat and were towing a kiack when a walrus came up and staved in the bow of the kiack I mention this & shall that where walrus are plentyfull it is not safe for one kiack or boat & go alone this may in part account for the scarcity of seal as the walrus it is said kill them at times

Temp 8 am 35° + 8 pm 36° +

Tuesday July 17

Dull weather with some fog light winds and calmar

Continue diggin and get a few articles this work has spurred Mr MacMillan up to a greater effort, I believe as he now gets the natives to bring what they can find to him

Temp 8 am 45° + 8 pm 36° +

Wednesday July 18 1917  
 Generally Pleasant though Party  
 cloudy Mr Macmillan has got some  
 of the natives to go down to Kekuy  
 about 40 miles to the south to get Eskimo  
 material especially some whale Bone  
 nets which Mr Small says he had seen  
 the natives have (not in use but some  
 they had found) I would have gone  
 but did not care to be subject to  
 the natives ways as they were to be in charge  
 temp 8 am 43 8 pm 48 +  
 have had a pair of seal skin pants  
 made and given to me by one of the native  
 women (See note.)

Thursday July 19  
 Pleasant through the day but at  
 night bring up from so strong  
 went out in the boat part way to  
 sun rise point & where there were  
 some old ruins of Igloos 5 in all  
 4 in one place and one at another  
 they could not have been in use  
 for any great length of time and  
 so got but little from them  
 temp 8 am 51 + 8 pm 40

Friday July 20 1907

Dull with moderate westerly winds  
the whole of the ice run up to the head  
of the Bay is now broken up and going out  
two seal were taken to day one by Mr small  
but all that I have seen taken are this year  
pups though a few ground seal (Sugong)  
have been taken get a few articles in digging  
temp 8 am 34 + 8 pm 37 +

Saturday July 21

Pleasant with fresh breeze from East  
this has carried out about all the old ice  
from the head of the Bay

I went up to where there were said to  
be the old ruins (in a heat) but to my  
mind there were only summer camps  
used at the time the natives would go  
there to catch the birds in nets as they  
collect in such places a long the southern  
slopes of the mountain sides it is safe  
to say in the millions and furnish a large  
amount of food for natives and their dogs  
this seems to be women work to catch  
them they are about as large as rabbits  
perhaps a little more solid

temp 8 am 46 + 8 pm 50 +

Sunday July 22 1914

Dull weather with fresh west and  
south west wind increasing at night  
to a fresh gale of course all attention  
is now given to the ship Denmark's  
arrival which is expected by the first  
of August and though the days are few  
till then still it is a little strain on  
the mind at least mine

Temp 8 am 40 + 8 pm 34 +

Monday July 23

a stormy day wind now strong  
snowing so that the hill tops are covered  
white with it the weather is also thick  
misty and foggy

Temp 8 am 33 + 8 pm 32 +

Tuesday July 24

Dull stormy weather wind SW & west  
damp some fog and mist

have been digging a little  
no ice to be seen from the house

Temp 8 am 35 8 pm 34 +

my weight to day was 211 lbs

Wednesday July 25 1917

Pleasant with light wind N.W.  
and west had some success in  
digging around the old ruins of Igloos  
Temp 8 am 40 + 8 pm 43 +  
we can now look forward to the Venet  
arrival any time after this also Mr  
Rasmussen and his Party who are  
expected to be here about the time the  
Venet should arrive

Thursday July 26

Dull weather with light wind  
from S.W. the natives who went  
away a few days ago to the south  
returned <sup>at midnight</sup> to town & having collected a  
few ancient articles by digging around  
at a place called Sterkey and  
Saluvaldy at the former place  
they got some old whale Bone (Baleen)  
but no articles made of it as was  
hoped they would

two seal were taken to day  
two of the natives who went returned  
over the ice cap and the man who  
and his wife and child came up in  
the boat (who owned the team)  
they report much snow on the glacier  
Temp 8 am 43 + 8 pm 46 +

Friday July 27 1917  
 Dull light weather a little rain  
 towards night light wind north west  
 there is a feeling now that we are  
 about to leave soon  
 and some times we speak of what we  
 would like to have & eat when we get  
 back home, an occasional Ice Berg goes by  
 temp 8 am 48 + 8 pm 43

Saturday July 28  
 Dull weather with light north  
 and SW wind a little rain towards night  
 looking forward to the arrival of the  
 Navel my greatest enjoyment is to dig for <sup>which</sup>  
 Temp 8 am 42 + 8 pm 45 +

Sunday July 29  
 Pleasant with fresh breeze from west  
 mending clothes and dug around the old  
 ruins found quite a little piece of flint  
 most of them rejects but all go to show  
 that the natives in former times were able to  
 work it. Keep looking & reward  
 hoping to see the ship Denmark  
 temp 8 am 43 + 8 pm 43 +  
 found a piece of whale bone  
 but do not think these people caught  
 them at least not here

Monday July 30 1914  
Very pleasant with light variable  
wind. The natives get a few seal  
and walrus they seem to like to  
do their hunting in the night time  
though of course the sun has all  
the time but not so brightly then  
occasionally a berg passes along to  
the north and west it is probably  
about here where the current bends  
to the west as the land on the  
other side is very plainly seen  
temp 8 am 45 + 8 pm 51  
one of our warmest days.

Tuesday July 31

Pleasant with light northeasterly  
wind. at 4 pm the steamer  
Neptune came in Captain Bartlett  
she has come to take us back  
to St. John N.F. sent by the  
Museum she met the steamer  
Denmark yesterday and took the  
material (Boxer) that had been  
collected at North Star Bay, on  
board the Denmark was on her  
way up here but then turned  
back this is the same vessel that  
wintered with us in Cape Fullerton in 1903

July 31 Tuesday Contained  
it is said that the museum pays  
\$15,000 a month for her use  
I received letter from my wife (3)  
from Mr Newcomb one a good long  
one from my daughter one from my  
son one from the museum one  
from Mr. Monjo two and one from  
a good friend Mr Oesterl. Artist  
at the museum and one from <sup>the Reverend Francis Parker</sup> a former Minister  
the Neptune will remain a couple  
of days and make some repairs about  
her engine it is said there is some  
heat or boxes on board for me  
temp 8 am 51 + 8 pm 53 +

Wednesday August 1 1917

Cloudy weather with fresh breeze from West and north west  
there has been no work necessary to day in getting things on board  
but the crew of the Kewel have been at work on the barrel and the  
Engineer has had to make some repairs about the engine

To day three small boxes were turned over to me which had been sent by my wife, Daughter and son wife. Canned Peanut butter and jam and marmalade then we got some bread from the Kewel both barrel bread and soft bread and with the loaf of cake which came with the good things we made out quite a fine supper  
temp 8 am 39 + 8 pm 34 +

Etoh

Thursday August 2 1917  
 Stormy weather most of the day  
 snowing but this afternoon clearing  
 the Power boat we took along side  
 of the Neptune so that it can be  
 taken on board there has been too  
 much surf on the beach to land the  
 boats and take off the material  
 though the people came and go  
 back and forth

Temp 8 am 32 + 8 pm 33 +

Friday August 3  
 Weather improving so that the boxes and  
 unbroken articles were put on board the  
 Neptune, towards night two boats went  
 out to one of the outer Island where the  
 wireless station had been recycled and had  
 returned with (perhaps) all the boxes which  
 were out there

Arrangements are being made to stop  
 here where down below here pastly  
 & leave a native Family which came  
 up here when the boats came up from  
 Mercury there is quite a little snow on  
 the hills from this last storm

Presume that we shall get away to  
 night but have not gone on board to day  
 though the others have to day

Saturday August 4 1911

came on board the vessel at one am and she was got underway at 2:30 am the natives stayed till the vessel started one family man woman and small girl remained on board and were landed 40 miles down the coast at Kerkie and some remember that the vessel brought up was also put a shore there we arrived there at 8:30 am and stayed about an hour and a half there was some ice drifting out there but there was nothing to weather up before that and there has been very little ice to be seen all day we are well over on the west side of the sound some fog and there has been a few times when the vessel was slowed down on account of it it is pleasant to think we are on the way home with a good vessel and a good crew Capt Badlett (Robert) seems to be a splendid man for a driver

the vessel men number all told is 27 this includes Doctor Knott and a Mr Burbank the latter is a passenger overcast light air and calm

on Board the Neptune

Sunday August 5 1907  
 we have found so much ice  
 that the vessel has had to turn  
 in all directions so that we are  
 still near the Carry Island then  
 the weather is thick most of the  
 time and the vessel has to  
 lay with the bow against the  
 ice we are now working back  
 to the Greenland side home  
 where between the Carry Island  
 and North Star Bay

wind strong from N & the  
 latter part of the day

the museum people sent up  
 to me two suits of underwear  
 two overshirts and 4 pairs of socks  
 no to day I could dress up in  
 for better shape

Monday August 6

stormy weather strong N & winds  
 and know we are laying still in  
 the ice the weather being thick  
 there is very little water to be seen  
 we came in to within about 4 or  
 5 miles of Cape Parry but have  
 drifted (no doubt) up to the north and

Tuesday August 7 1917

The weather has been stormy snowing most of the time with the wind fresh from the south clearing up this afternoon and we are close to Halket and Northumberland Island on the north side of the Passage way between them there are three plates (Iron) gone off the bow and the leak considerable so much so that she could not be kept free by pumping by hand we are imbedded in the ice (not heavy ice) but on account of the thick weather it was not safe to try to go ahead

Wednesday August 8

Pleasant weather with the wind east and N.E. we were close in to Halket Island closed in by the ice during the fore noon the ice stacked up and we came back and tried to pass between Herbert and Northumberland Islands but though we got most through the ice stacked up and we are now laying still, the natives had just come off 8 pm the captain is laying to work out back again, the current and ice is taking us the way we sailed with \$90

Thursday August 9 1917

we lay at anchor at Herbet Island till 9 o'clock this morning then the ice showed signs of opening up we started and came over to Cape Parry when we again met the ice packed once again we have remained still the ice looks as though it was opening up the wind being light from the N.E. some rain one haul and an orange (ground seal) taken to day the natives at Herbet Island men and women were coming and going all night trading with the vessel

Friday August 10

we lay still at Cape Parry during the night and forenoon then the ice becoming more slack we started and worked south at times the ice being quite thick then open space we have have come to a stop about 10 miles south of Conical Rock at 10 pm light air and calmer

Saturday August 11 1917  
we are in the same place that  
we were in last night though  
we went back to a little Cane Ekpak  
and stayed from 3 am <sup>till</sup> about noon  
fresh water was got and all the tanks  
were filled up then the fog clearing  
up we returned but the Ice remains  
unchanged it look as though there  
was much water at Cape York  
which is in sight  
clear weather this afternoon  
light winds variable and Calm

Sunday August 12  
we lay still in the Ice till  
noon to day then started and  
worked through Ice which increased  
as we come along the shore to Cape  
York then the weather became foggy  
with rain with a strong breeze  
from S.E. after passing Cape York  
we come to large Pans and fields of  
Ice and the fog being thick  
we have tied up to the Ice at 6pm

Monday August 13 1914  
 we lay tied up to the ice  
 last night moved once in closer  
 to the Cape York there was some  
 fog which cleared up this am  
 we were about 5 miles off from  
 the Cape about 10 am some natives  
 came off & us & asked  
 they stayed till seven when we  
 got started and after coming  
 through about 20 miles of ice  
 some of which was quite tight  
 we got in to quite clear water  
 and are steering a course for  
 Disko wind moderate from East  
 partly cloudy though that we saw  
 the ship Danmark but it later  
 proved to be ice coming up  
 Doctor Krubben's birth day

Tuesday August 14  
 we had some clear water and  
 some ice to work through last night  
 and this forenoon then came to open  
 water and have held on our course  
 though there has been a large field of  
 ice to the west of us about all the  
 afternoon no land in sight the weather  
 being cloudy and at times fog  
 it looks now as though we are through with the  
 ice

Wednesday August 15 1914

Dull weather winds moderate to fresh SW to S E we are passing Hare Island at 6 pm and it is now from here about 100 miles to Desho Harbor Godhaven the weather was quite clear a short time this afternoon after this rather hazy with fog and some rain at night mostly with light rain expect to stop at Godhaven (Goddarbor)

it is reported that Mr. Ekblaw is there (for what reason is not known) as he started out with Doctor Huent last winter

The Captain Birth Day

Thursday August 16

had strong winds from S E during the night some rain we got in to the Harbor at 7 am Godhaven the Governor and Doctor came off and also a number of men (natives) the latter to trade Ivory curving and foot wear Mr. Ekblaw is reported to be here has been here a month in the evening Mr. Rossill invited all the after guard to his house I did not go but all had a good time

Mr. Newcom and one from my wife written in February

Friday August 17 1914  
The weather cleared up during the night. This morning I went ashore and visited the People (Danish)

there has been some change since I was here two years ago in the People but they were fine people then and the ones here now are also a fine class of people

There are many natives here but no full blooded Eskimos in truth there is nothing about them to show that they are part Eskimos though they talk the language

We have had a very pleasant day there and got underway at 1:30 pm pleasant weather and moderate wind in the hope of stopping the leak at the bow a large piece of canvas has been lowered down over the stem and as the vessel goes through the water it is hoped that it will prevent the pressure around the leak and relieve the pump from overwork we are making

8 knot on hand light air and calm have loaded much of the kerosene and some other stores at Disko though we are 50 miles from the Island at 8 pm it is still in sight

there was letter here for me from home

Saturday August 18 1917  
some fog but generally pleasant  
from yesterday 2 pm till two  
pm to day we made 190 miles  
I was up in the room of the wireless  
operator this evening and he made  
an effort to reach the Belle Island  
station he thinks he may have  
done so should that be the case  
our people will hear that we are  
on the way home with all material  
and remaining members of the  
expedition we are down now  
where we had sun and breeze

Sunday August 19  
Dull weather with the wind 18  
sea a little rough some fog and  
rain at 8 pm we are 385 miles  
from Disko from 2 pm yesterday  
till 2 pm to day have made 175  
miles Mr Bluffbank (Passenger  
and guest of Capt Battell) is quite  
sick also Mr Macmillan and Mr  
Ebblow we have some sail  
on the vessel jib fore staysail  
and mizzen these sails are set to  
help steady the vessel  
no fog at 8 pm (one seen last night)

Monday August 20 1914  
 Fog and rain with moderate S E  
 wind during the night and this  
 forenoon after clearing up  
 the Latitude at noon was 61,08<sup>n</sup>  
 sea improving but a little motion  
 still we are some ways off  
 the Labrador coast but are  
 keeping along the same direction  
 making about 8 knots have passed  
 some floating wood and saw  
 one Ice Berg from 2 pm yesterday  
 till 2 pm to day made 128 miles

Tuesday August 21  
 Fog and rain during the night  
 and to day clearing at night and  
 the wind has hauled from the  
 N.E. & west from the Bridge the  
 land can be seen there are two  
 Ice Bergs in sight to the west of us  
 saw one this morning but I am  
 a little surprised that we havent  
 seen more lat at noon DR 58 01  
 Distance run since 4 pm yesterday  
 till 4 pm to day 170 miles

Wednesday August 24 1914  
Very pleasant during the night  
and day the wind has been  
less moderate made out the  
land at day light and came in to  
a place known as Turnivik at  
10 30 am Capt Bartlett has  
a brother here fishing he has a  
station here this vessel brought  
him here on his way north to  
take up he came off for a  
short time and brought some  
late paper we have come 815 miles  
from Disko to this place after  
Captain Bartlett brother went ashore we  
continued on our way there has been  
some messages sent on to notify the  
people at home that we were on  
the way so the vessel is fitted  
out with a wireless outfit  
and an operator it is said to  
cost 13 ~~cents~~ a word by wireless  
and that only goes half way then  
by Telegraph 18 cents additional  
making 16 cents a word to reach  
New York

The crew of the Neptune consists of  
 Capt Robert Bartlett  
 mate Walk  
 2nd mate Fred Newberry  
 Boatswain John Murphy  
 Seaman Geo Barrett  
 " Geo Clark  
 " William Peddall  
 " Geo Kyppell  
 " Tom Constantine  
 " Robert Knowland  
 " John Butt  
 Engineer William Crossman  
 " " Robert Crossman  
 3 " John Cawener  
 oiler James Bailey  
 " Michel Murphy  
 Fireman George Welsh  
 " Alexander Kersey  
 " James Murphy  
 " John Gundall  
 " Richard Roach  
 Cook Sarah Martin  
 Steward Frank Barlow  
 cabin boy Harry Dadel  
 wheel man Starland  
 Doctor J. G. Kneller  
 passenger Robert Burbank

Cracker land Party  
 D. B. MacMillan  
 W. C. Ekblaw  
 J. A. Small  
 and my self

Thursday August 23 1917

Pleasant weather during the night and to day we reach the straits of Belle Isle at 5 pm messages have been sent to the museum and also to St John it is said that the steamer for New York sailed for New York from St John to day so it was better for us to go to Sydney as there is only one steamer on that line now one having been wrecked by the Bahamian we are now in the straits of Belle Isle there is a light low fog since 5 pm yesterday to 5 pm to day we made 185 miles light southerly winds saw the steamer *Theta* and several fishing schooner bound North

Friday August 24 1917  
 we had much fog during the night and the vessel was run under half speed so that the run the last 24 hours has only been 135 miles we passed Point Aransas at 5:30 am could hear the foghorn later could hear the Horn on Greenly Island but have not seen the land to day we are now where near the Bay of Islands <sup>N.E.</sup> light north wind some fog at times but not necessarily clear at any time when we left Etah 4 doves were taken along one had to be killed to day

Saturday August 25  
 Fog much of the time we passed cape St George close to at 9 am then on to Cape Argus at 1:30 are now heading for Sydney there is a fresh breeze from South with some fog

On Board the Neptune  
in Sydney Harbor (North Sydney) 317  
Sunday August 26 1917  
last night had a good run  
across to Sydney where we arrived  
at 8.15 am the Harbor is closed  
night times and during the day times  
only can a vessel enter when the  
gate way is open the Pilot James  
P Young came on board and  
told the gates were of our  
People have gone a shore to day  
and are staying ashore to night  
there was a large amount of  
mail put on this vessel for us  
when she left here but was  
over looked and not given to us  
till to night there were 5  
letters for me some of them two  
years old none one and one written  
this last year I sent a Telegram  
to my wife

I expect to leave here to morrow  
night for Home

Took train from Sydney at 9.45  
pm came through to Lt John H. R.  
and then to Bangor and on to  
Boston and arrived Home station about 5pm  
Wednesday, met Dr Hunt's Father and  
Mother in Bangor at midnight and Dr Hunt and wife

in Boston Mr. Ekkblaw and our Mr  
Burbank <sup>the latter</sup> who was passenger on the steamer  
came through as far as Boston the first  
week in Nov New York while the latter went  
on to Springfield his home being near there  
at Pittsfield

our Doctor Harvey reached New York  
the day before we reached Sydney















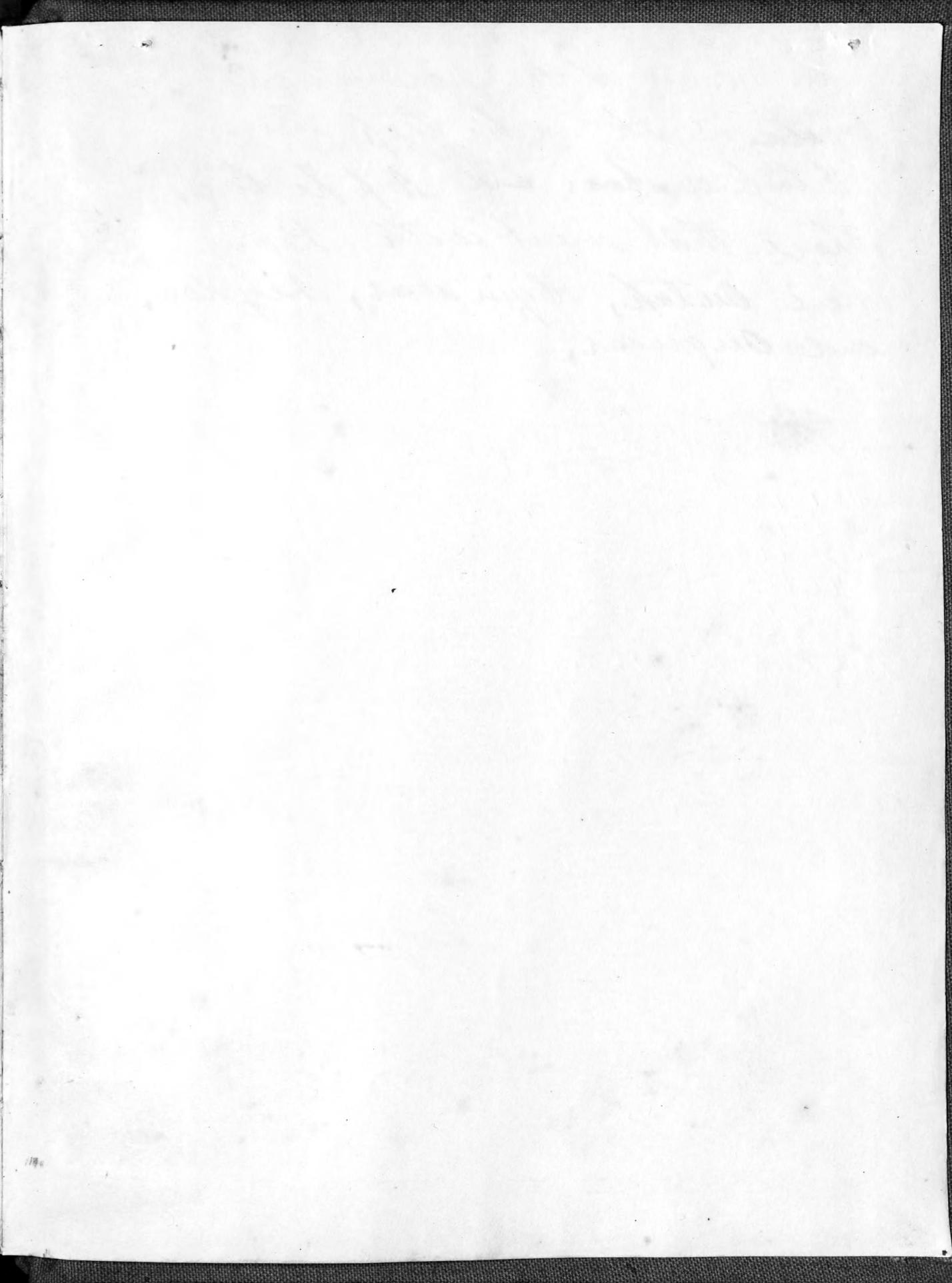




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The names of the natives who went with  
Doctor Cook on his trip were  
Etask er shoo, and Arp he lar,  
those that went with Peasey  
were Outah, Sgin war, Kig loo,  
and Onguear,

weight of seismograph boxes

no 1 130

no 2 180

no 3 110

no 4 165

no 5 70

no 6 220

packed up July 12 1914

Woo-yes child born 17 march 1916

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